## GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

### Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

### NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. **Party to Agreement notifying:** **SWEDEN**

2. **Agency responsible:** The National Swedish Board for Consumer Policies

3. **Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], Other:**

4. **Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):**
   - Bicycle helmets (ex CCCN 65.06)

5. **Title:** Guidelines for Bicycle Helmets

6. **Description of content:** The guidelines cover helmets for use when cycling with exception of helmets for competitive or professional purposes. The guidelines concern the safety and functioning of bicycle helmets with regard to their shock absorbing capacity, force distribution capacity, coverage, fastening and design in certain other aspects.

   At the request of the National Swedish Board for Consumer Policies the manufacturer, importer or retailer shall present to Board a test certificate showing that the helmet fulfils the safety and functional requirements. The certificate shall be issued by a testing institute, institution or company laboratory possessing the necessary equipment for carrying out tests in accordance with the guidelines. If there is a certificate from a supplier or the equivalent showing that the helmet fulfils the requirements of the guidelines the Board may refrain from the demand for a test certificate. The Board shall decide whether a supplier's or similar certificate can be accepted. The test certificate shall show that the helmet has been tested and approved by a body acceptable to the Board.

7. **Objective and rationale:** Protection of human safety and health

8. **Relevant documents:** The Board's Statute Books

9. **Proposed date of adoption and entry into force:** Entry into force is expected in the late first half of 1985.

10. **Final date for comments:** 28 February 1985

11. **Texts available from:** National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: