NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: Government of the **FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

2. Agency responsible: Federal Ministry of the Interior

3. Notified under Article 2.5.2, 2.6.1, 7.3.2, 7.4.1, Other:

4. Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
   - Washing and cleansing agents

5. Title: First Act to Amend the Act on Washing Agents

6. Description of content:
   - inclusion in the Act of all agents intended or used for cleaning and of washing aids, e.g. softeners, as such agents may - after use - be discharged into public bodies of water;
   - establishment of the principle to adopt such configurations for technical equipment designed for cleaning as require the smallest possible doses of washing and cleansing agents (so-called machine regulation);
   - improved consumer information on the dosage and on the ingredients of washing and cleansing agents as well as on the range of water hardness degrees;
   - improved system for reporting the ingredients of products with a view to allowing preventive environmental compatibility assessments to be made.

7. Objective and rationale: Environmental (water) pollution control


9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: The Act will presumably be adopted in the course of 1986 and enter into force on the first day of the calendar month following the promulgation of the Act.

10. Final date for comments: 18 April 1986

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point or address of other body:
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