Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: FINLAND

2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Trade and Industry

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):
   Textile products CCCN 60, 61, 62, 65, 94.04

5. Title: Decision of the Ministry of Trade and Industry on maximum content of formaldehyde in certain textile products (available only in Finnish, 2 pages)

6. Description of content: The maximum allowed content varies 20 mg/kg - 1000 mg/kg.
   - Products meant for babies below the age of 2 years 20 mg/kg.
   - Products coming into direct contact with the skin, e.g. underwear, socks, bed clothes 80 mg/kg.
   - Products not coming into direct contact with the skin 300 mg/kg.
   - Outer garments and other products used only out-of-doors 1000 mg/kg.

   The determination method is sfs 4996 "textiles, determination of formaldehyde. Japanese method."

7. Objective and rationale: Human health

8. Relevant documents: The regulation will be published in the Statutes of Finland.


10. Final date for comments: 2.6.1986

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

   86-0513