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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: SWITZERLAND

2. Agency responsible: Federal Department of the Interior

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):
   Asbestos

5. Title: Draft Amendment to the Ordinance on Substances Hazardous for the Environment

6. Description of content: The Draft envisages to prohibit the use of asbestos in household products, toys, items for smoking, paints and varnishes, surfacers and materials intended to be applied by spraying and finished products which are retailed to the public in powder form. For all other products the content of asbestos must be limited according to the best available technology which is economically feasible. Such products have to be labelled accordingly.

7. Objective and rationale: Public health

8. Relevant documents: Draft Amendment to the Ordinance on Substances Hazardous for the Environment, December 1986


10. Final date for comments: 15 March 1987

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

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