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

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

2. Agency responsible: Federal Ministry of Environment, Youth and Family

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

4. Products covered (HS where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
   - Products containing formaldehyde and asbestos products

5. Title: Two Draft Regulations Concerning Restrictions of the Marketing and Labelling of Formaldehyde and Asbestos-containing Products

6. Description of content:
   1. The marketing of certain formaldehyde products (e.g. wooden material for furniture, wooden furniture, detergents) containing more than 0.2 per cent formaldehyde (detergents) or causing a formaldehyde concentration in a standardized testing room of more than 0.1 ppm (under certain conditions) is prohibited. In addition to the labelling according to the regulation concerning the classification, packaging and labelling of dangerous substances and preparations, detergents containing more than 0.1 per cent formaldehyde and textiles containing more than 0.15 per cent formaldehyde have to carry the information "Contains formaldehyde".
   2. The marketing of various asbestos products is prohibited. In addition all asbestos products have to be labelled according to the relevant EEC directive (83/478/EEC).

7. Objective and rationale: Consumer information; protection of human life and health and of the environment


9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: 1 June 1989

10. Final date for comments: May 1989

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