NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: FINLAND

2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Transport and Communications

4. Products covered (HS where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
   Tyres and studs of vehicles (HS ex 40.06 and ex 87)

5. Title: Decree on Amendment of the Vehicle Decree (available in Finnish, 13 pages)

6. Description of content:
   1. The period of use for studded tyres is proposed to be decreased one month in autumn and two weeks in spring (1 November-15 April).
   2. The amount of studs is proposed to be decreased to 90 studs up to 13", 110 studs up to 15" and 150 studs for larger tyres.
   3. The weight of a stud is proposed to be limited to 1.8 grams from autumn 1990 and 1.1 grams from autumn 1994.
   4. The use of studded tyres is proposed to be prohibited for heavy duty vehicles (GVW exceeding 3.5 tons).
   5. The tyres used in cars, trucks, buses and trailers are proposed to be E-approved according to the Regulations Nos. 30, 54 or 64 for vehicles registered after 1 January 1991.

7. Objective and rationale: Traffic safety

   The amendment of the Decree will be published in the Statutes of Finland


10. Final date for comments: 2 June 1989

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