### Notification

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

1. **Party to Agreement notifying:** EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

2. **Agency responsible:** Commission of the European Community

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

4. **Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):**

   - 81.07 Cadmium and its compounds


6. **Description of content:** This proposal contains the following elements:

   - the ban on the use of cadmium and its compounds in three sectors: pigments, stabilizers and plating (in the case of pigments, polymers are covered; in the case of stabilizers, products or articles are covered and in the case of plating, sectors or applications are covered);
   - the prohibition of placing on the market of finished products whose cadmium content exceeds 0.01 per cent by weight;
   - a general derogation clause is provided for all of the three sectors mentioned above for reasons of safety and reliability;
   - a reassessment of the situation in respect of the development of substitutes for cadmium is provided within a certain period of the adoption of this proposal.

7. **Objective and rationale:** This proposal aims to improve the protection of man and the environment and the functioning of the internal market through the imposition of the same restriction in this area.

8. **Relevant documents:** Official Journal C 8 of 13 January 1990, pages 8-11

9. **Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force:**

   - **Adoption:** to be decided
   - **Entry into force:** varies with product

10. **Final date for comments:** 6 April 1990

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

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