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

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

2. Agency responsible: Federal Department for Transport, Communications and Energy, General secretariat; PTT General Directorate, R & D Department

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):

   Terminal equipment which can be connected directly or indirectly to the public switched telecommunications network (PSTN)


6. Description of content: The specification defines the minimum requirement a voice terminal equipment has to meet in order to get permission to be connected to the public switched telephone network (analog) and/or equivalent leased lines.

7. Objective and rationale: For homologation (mandatory for getting legal access to the free market) telecommunications terminal equipment has to meet these clearly defined minimum technical requirements. The present specification is based on the corresponding prescription published in June 1986. It has been revised and updated in accordance with the rules for harmonization in general and in particular with respect to the NET4-domain, set up by CEPT/TRAC and the responsible authorities of EC and EFTA. Depending on progress in NET4 harmonization process, further revisions will be planned.

   Following the general trends to more liberalization, it is still essential to prevent persons, networks and network-functions from harm potentially caused by TE's. Requirements to cover other aspects (e.g. service aspects) prejudice in degrading substantially the quality of the telephone service, which is likely to be defined by the EC/EFTA authorities as a "justified case" and therefore will require Europe-wide end-to-end compatibility.
8. **Relevant documents:** Replaces Annexes 3.1 and 3.2 of SR 784.106, which, itself is to be replaced by the decree for telecommunications terminal equipment

9. **Proposed date of adoption and entry into force:** 1 May 1992

10. **Final date for comments:** 13 February 1992

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