NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: UNITED STATES


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):
   Passenger car tyres (HS Chapter 4011, 4012)

5. Title: Consumer Information Regulations; Uniform Tyre Quality Grading Standards; Vehicles in Treadwear Convoys (3 pages)

6. Description of content: The uniform tyre quality grading standards specify detailed testing procedures for generating consumer information about the treadwear, traction, and temperature resistance of passenger car tyres. The treadwear grading procedures now only permit testing of passenger car tyres on rear-wheel drive passenger cars. This notice proposes amending the treadwear testing procedures to permit the use of front-wheel drive passenger cars and the use of light trucks, vans and multi-purpose passenger vehicles.

7. Objective and rationale: Use of test vehicles that more accurately reflect the type of vehicles currently produced and provide treadwear evaluators with greater flexibility in obtaining vehicles.


9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: On or before 27 March 1991

10. Final date for comments: 11 April 1991

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

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