Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

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

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


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. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Foodstuffs, food additives

5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Ordinance on Additives Permissible on Foodstuffs

6. Description of content: The Ordinance includes:
   - Positive lists detailing the permissible additives;
   - applications lists detailing the additives and aromas permissible for certain foods and determining the maximum quantities;
   - prescriptions on additive and aroma preparations;
   - prescriptions on purity requirements.

7. Objective and rationale:
   - Health protection;
   - Adaptation of the Swiss law to community law.

8. Relevant documents:
   - Revised decree: Additives Ordinance of 20 January 1982;
   - Legal bases: Food Law of 9 October 1992, Food Ordinance;

9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: January 1995

10. Final date for comments: 9 May 1994

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