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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u>
2. Agency responsible: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (310)
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): Motor vehicle safety belts (HS Chapter 87)
5. Title: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Occupant Crash Protection (5 pages)
6. Description of content: This notice proposes a lockability requirement for safety belts installed at the centre and right front seating positions and at any rear seating position in any vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less. Further, this proposal includes a procedure for objectively determining compliance with the lockability requirement.
7. Objective and rationale: Safety
8. Relevant documents: 55 FR 30937, 30 July 1990; 49 CFR Part 571. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted. Reference also TBT/Notif.88.258.
9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: If adopted in a final rule, these proposed requirements would apply to vehicles manufactured on or after 1 September 1992.
10. Final date for comments: 13 September 1990
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: