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## TARIFFS AND TRADE

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

### NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>EUROPEAN COMMUNITY</u>
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): All dangerous chemical substances and new chemical substances
5. Title: Proposal for a Council Directive Amending for the Seventh Time Directive 67/548/EEC on the Approximation of the Laws, Regulations and Administrative Provisions Relating to the Classification, Packaging and Labelling of Dangerous Substances (24 pages)
6. Description of content: The proposal seeks to improve existing Community provisions for: (i) the classification, packaging and labelling of all dangerous chemical substances; (ii) the notification of new chemical substances; which entered into force in September 1981 (sixth amendment to Directive 67/548/EEC).
7. Objective and rationale: To remove barriers to trade resulting from different national systems for classification, packaging and labelling and to introduce harmonized rules based on a high level of protection for man and the environment.
8. Relevant documents: Official Journal C33 of 13 February 1990, pages 3 to 26
9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: Adoption end of 1990; Entry into force 1992
10. Final date for comments: 1 October 1990
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: D.G. III.A.1