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NOTIFICATION

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

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| 1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u> |
| 2. Agency responsible: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (290) |
| Notified under Article 2.5.2 [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , 2.6.1 [<input type="checkbox"/> , 7.3.2 [<input type="checkbox"/> , 7.4.1 [<input type="checkbox"/> , Other: |
| 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
Passenger cars (HS 8703) |
| 5. Title: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard; Occupant Crash Protection (14 pages) |
| 6. Description of content: This notice proposes to extend the requirements for automatic crash protection, currently applicable to front outboard seats in passenger cars only, to front outboard seats in three additional types of light-duty vehicles. Automatic crash protection means that a vehicle is equipped with occupant restraints that require no action by vehicle occupants. The vehicle types to which the requirements would be extended, if this proposal were adopted as a final rule, are trucks, multi-purpose passenger vehicles (such as passenger vans and four-wheel drive vehicles), and buses with a gross vehicle weight rating of 8,500 pounds or less an unloaded vehicle weight of 5,500 pounds or less. |
| 7. Objective and rationale: Safety |
| 8. Relevant documents: 54 FR 747, 9 January 1990; 49 CFR Part 567, 571 and 585, will appear in the Federal Register when adopted |
| 9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: To be determined |
| 10. Final date for comments: 12 March 1990 |
| 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] or address of other body: |