## **GENERAL AGREEMENT ON**

## 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>UNITED STATES</u>

2. Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (296)

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): Food

5. Title: Food Labelling; Health Messages and Label Statements; Reproposed Rule

6. Description of content: The Administration is reproposing to amend the food labelling regulations to provide for the use of health messages on food labelling. The purpose of this reproposal would be to establish procedures for permitting valid and reliable consumer information on food labels about the value that ingestion (or reduced ingestion) of a dietary component, as part of a total dietary pattern, may have in either lowering the risk, or forestalling the premature onset, of a particular chronic disease condition.

Objective and rationale: To provide guidance on what distinguishes a food claim
from a drug claim.

 Relevant documents: 55 FR 5176, 13 February 1990; 21 CFR Part 101. 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: 16 April 1990

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

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