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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>NETHERLANDS</u>
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Welfare, Public Health and Cultural Affairs Directorate for Food and Product Safety
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): -
5. Title: Amendment of the Regulation on Maximum Concentration of PCBs (Food and Drugs Law)
6. Description of content: Mackerel and clupeids, meat and eggs. Following the maximum concentrations of PCBs which already apply for fish, milk and milk products, this amendment to the regulation on maximum concentrations of PCBs (Food and Drugs Law) adds maximum concentrations in meat and eggs. This amendment also brings the concentration for mackerel and clupeids into line with those for other fish species.
7. Objective and rationale: Human beings are primarily exposed to polychlorobiphenyls through the consumption of (fatty) animal products. Maximum concentrations have been laid down for meat and eggs as well in order to prevent an excessively high intake of PCBs.
8. Relevant documents: Regulation on Maximum Concentrations of PCBs (Food and Drug Law), Stcrt. 1984, p. 239. General Decree (Food and Drug Law), Stb. 1949. J 306.
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 1 November 1992
10. Final date for comments: 1 November 1992
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: