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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): Motor vehicles and their trailers, HS ex-Chapter 87
5. Title: Proposal for a Council Directive Relating to the Mechanical Coupling Devices of Motor Vehicles and their Trailers and their Attachment to these Vehicles Number of pages in notified document: 55
6. Description of content: Harmonization of dimensions and test requirements for mechanical coupling devices, based on ISO Standards and ECE Regulation 55
Objective and rationale: This is a directive for the EC type-approval of different coupling devices installed on road vehicles. It is to improve safety and inter-changeability of motor vehicles and trailers.
8. Relevant documents: Official Journal of the EC, C 134 of 25 May 1992, pages 36 to 90
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Date of adoption: 30 June 1993 Entry into force: 1 October 1995
10. Final date for comments: 21 December 1992
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: