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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): Certain categories of motor vehicle, HS ex-Chapter 87
5. Title: Proposal for a Council Directive on the Approximation of the Laws of the Member States Relating to the Burning Behaviour of Materials Used in Interior Construction of Certain Categories of Motor Vehicle Number of pages in the notified document: 24
6. Description of content: Technical requirements for all materials used inside the bodywork of coaches relating to the inflammability of those materials.
Objective and rationale: This is a directive for the completion of EC vehicle type-approval for buses and coaches. It is to prevent the risk of fire in case of an accident and to give sufficient time for the evacuation of bus passengers.
8. Relevant documents: Official Journal of the EC, C 154 of 19 June 1992, pages 4 to 27
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Date of adoption: 1 October 1992 deferred to 1 January 1993 Entry into force: 1 October 1993
10. Final date for comments: 21 December 1992
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: