

Committee on Technical Barriers to TradeNOTIFICATION

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

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>AUSTRALIA</u>
2.	Agency responsible: National Food Authority
3.	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): Paté, unpasteurized milk, soft cheeses, smoked mussels, oysters, prawns
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Variations to Standards C1, D1, H9, S2 and S4
6.	Description of content: The National Food Authority is considering variations to the Food Standards Code to specify a nil tolerance for <i>Listeria Monocytogenes</i> in high-risk foods (paté, unpasteurized milk, soft cheeses and smoked mussels). The Authority is also considering amendments related to the microbiological requirements for oysters, prawns, molluscs and cooked crustaceans.
7.	Objective and rationale: Protection of public health and safety
8.	Relevant documents: National Food Authority Act 1991, Standards C1, D1, H9, S2 and S4
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Second half of 1993
10.	Final date for comments: 21 July 1993
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or address of other body: