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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>NETHERLANDS</u>
2. Agency responsible: Ministerie van Landbouw, Natuurbeheer en Visserij. Produktschap voor Groenten en Fruit.
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): 0711
5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Amendment 1992/2 Regulation pgf 1981 Preserved Vegetables
6. Description of content: Preserved vegetables (in particular mushrooms). The indication of drained weight is split up into an indication for packaging units with a capacity less than or equal to 1,500 ml and an indication for packaging units with a capacity greater than 1,500 ml (amendment Section e). The provisions governing tolerance levels on drained weight, inspection and sample-taking, provided these provisions apply to tinned mushrooms, are brought in line with the German regulation in question (amended Sections d and f). The way in which samples are taken, however, will not change in practice.
7. Objective and rationale: Where larger packaging units are concerned, the contents cannot be drained in a colander all at once. At community level, no method is specified to establish the drained weight in these cases. Directive 79/112/EEC (labelling directive) only provides for labelling the drained weight (Article 8).
8. Relevant documents: Act Governing Business Organization (already forwarded along with not. 90/0213/NL). Commodity Board Establishment Act Regarding Vegetables and Fruit 1954 (already forwarded along with not. 92/0193/NL). Agricultural Quality Order Governing Vegetables and Fruit, 5 August 1977 (stb. (staatsblad) 1977, 490), (already forwarded along with not. 92/0193/NL).
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 30 April 1993
10. Final date for comments: 1 April 1993
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: