## **GENERAL AGREEMENT**

## ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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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: SWEDEN 2. Agency responsible: National Chemicals Inspectorate 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): Biological pesticides i.e. micro-organisms, viruses, nematodes, insects or arachnida developed particularly to prevent or counteract sanitary nuisance or damage on property from animals, plants, micro-organisms or viruses. 5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: The National Chemicals Inspectorate's Regulations Concerning Approval of Biological Pesticides (English version: 5 pages. Annexes: 42 pages) 6. Description of content: An application for approval of a biological pesticide must contain such information that a satisfactory assessment can be made in respect of its acceptability from the standpoint of human health and environmental protection. Application forms and directions for filling in the form are provided by the Chemicals Inspectorate.

Similar labelling requirements apply as are valid for chemical pesticides.

Fees must be paid when applications are made for approval of a new biological pesticide. An annual fee must also be paid. Consultations with respect to fees are going on with the National Audit Bureau. The proposal will therefore be amended on this point as soon as possible.

- 7. Objective and rationale: To establish:
  - which information must be attached to an application for approval;
  - how the packaging must be labelled;
  - precautionary measures as to spreading; and
  - fees.
- 8. Relevant documents: Previous legislation:

Act on Preliminary Examination of Biological Pesticides - SFS 1991:639; Ordinance on Preliminary Examination of Biological Pesticides - SFS 1991:1288.

9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force:

February 1994 and 1 January 1995

- 10. Final date for comments: 20 December 1993
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: