

**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.

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| 1. | Party to Agreement notifying: <u>FINLAND</u> |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Ministry of Social Affairs and Health |
| 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. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Chemicals (materials and preparations) |
| 5. | Title and number of pages of the notified document: Decision of the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health on the Distribution of Methanol and Preparations Containing it for Retail Sale (available in Finnish and English, 1 page) |
| 6. | Description of content: In this decision retail sale of methanol and preparations containing more than 5 per cent of methanol for the general public, with the exception of fuels containing methanol, and distribution of methanol or preparations containing methanol directly to equipment, are prohibited. This prohibition does not apply to selling methanol in pharmacies. |
| 7. | Objective and rationale: Safety |
| 8. | Relevant documents: |
| 9. | Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Entry into force: 1 April 1994 |
| 10. | Final date for comments: 31 January 1994. The document will be issued in the Statutes of Finland. |
| 11. | Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: |