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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>NORWAY</u>
2. Agency responsible: Norwegian Food Control Authority
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): Foodstuffs
5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Draft Regulations on Nutrition Labelling for Foodstuffs (available in Norwegian, 7 pages)
6. Description of content: The Regulations concern nutrition labelling for foodstuffs intended for consumers or mass caterers. As a rule, nutrition labelling is optional, but it is compulsory if a nutrition claim is made for the food. The information shall include either: (1) energy value, the amounts of protein, carbohydrate and fat, or (2) energy value, the amounts of protein, carbohydrate, sugars, fat, saturated fats, fibre and sodium. The content of certain vitamins and minerals may be stated if they are present in significant amounts in the product. The vitamin and mineral content shall be quoted per 100 gr./ml. of the food and as a percentage of the reference values. The Regulations are identical with the EC Directive on Nutrition Labelling for Foodstuffs (90/496/EEC). In addition a definition of "fibre" is included.
7. Objective and rationale: Consumer protection
8. Relevant documents: Directive 90/496/EEC
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Date of entry into force of the EEA Agreement
10. Final date for comments: 1 April 1993
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: