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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: **AUSTRALIA**
2.	Agency responsible: National Food 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. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Wine and wine products
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Explanatory Notes - Applications A178 and A180 - 12 pages, Wine and Wine Products
6.	Description of content: A proposed amendment to the Australian Food Standards Code to vary Standard P4 - Wine and Wine Products and create a new Standard P6 - Wine Products and to revise both standards so as to align them with European Community (EC) Standards.
7.	Objective and rationale: To separate the existing Standard P4 into standards for (a) those products which are traditionally regarded as wine and free from the addition of other foods or agents or modified by processes which reduce alcohol content, and (b) those which are predominantly based on wine but for which the addition of other foods etc. which reduce alcohol content are permitted. To align Australian standards as closely as possible with those standards obtaining in the EC.
8.	Relevant documents: Australian Food Standards Code draft revised Standard P4 - Wine and draft new Standard - Wine Products
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Recommendation to Government by 5 April 1994; entry into force to be decided.

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10.	Final date for comments: The domestic closing date for comments is 16 February 1994, however, comments from Parties will be accepted until 4 March if notice of intention to comment is received by the domestic closing date.
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: