GENERAL AGREEMENT

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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: FRANCE
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of the Economy and Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries
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): Shellfish of the family Pectinidae
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Order Relating to the Official Names and Permitted Trade Descriptions of Scallops (3 pages)
6.	Description of content: The Ministry of the Economy and the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries propose to regulate the trade descriptions of scallops (coquilles Saint-Jacques and variegated scallops "pétoncles") according to species. The international scientific classification has been used. The species classified in the category of variegated scallops (other than Pecten) may benefit from a transitional regime (until the end of 1995); their description may be completed by the words "Saint-Jacques".
7.	Objective and rationale: To provide better information to the consumer and ensure fair trade
8.	Relevant documents: Consumers' Code. Publication in the Official Journal after adoption
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 15 September 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: CINORTECH