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: <u>AUSTRALIA</u>
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):
	Fresh and processed foods
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document:
	Explanatory Notes - Application A214 - Labelling of Organic Foods (4 pages)
6.	Description of content: An application to amend the Australian Food Standards Code to require that all organic produce be labelled with either the grower's name or registered number and/or the logo of the certifying organization under the AQIS/OPAC scheme (if the grower is certified in that system), or the grower's name and address (if the grower is not certified) or in the case of imported food, sufficient information to determine the source of the food.
7.	Objective and rationale: Prevention of consumer deception and promotion of trade and commerce
8.	Relevant documents: Australian Food Standards Code
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Recommendation to Government by 24 December 1994 and entry into force to be decided.
10.	Final date for comments: The closing date for comments is 23 November 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: (Quoting Application A214)