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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>NETHERLANDS</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Transport and Public Works
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): Maritime radio- communications equipment (GMDSS portofoon)
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: NL-ETS 300 225 Specification of Minimum Requirements for Maritime Radio Communications Equipment, Portable VHF Radio Installations Intended for Use in Group Rescue Devices (GMDSS portofoon)
6.	Description of content: The Technical Regulation contains the minimum requirements with which portable VHF radio installations intended for use in group rescue devices (GMDSS portofoon) shall comply. The requirements are entirely based on European standard ETS 300 225.
7.	Objective and rationale: In addition to the objective of preventing trading restrictions by introducing new European Technical Regulations, obligations pursuant to international treaties (IMO), intended to increase the safety of the ship and its crew (SOLAS convention), shall apply.
8.	Relevant documents: Radio-electrical equipment order (Stb. 1988, 552), sections C and F; Ships order 1965 (Stb. 1965, 367 amended by Stb. 1992, 35)
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 15 March 1995
10.	Final date for comments: 1 March 1995
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: