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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: UNITED STATES If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (2) Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Candies
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Food Labelling; Serving Sizes; Reference Amounts for Candies (9 pages, English)
6.	Description of content: The Administration is proposing to amend the nutrition labelling regulations to modify the product category "Sugars and sweets: hard candies, others" by adding "after-dinner mints, caramels, fondants (e.g. plain mints, candy corn), and liquid and powdered candies" as kinds of products included under the category, and a reference amount customarily consumed per eating occasion (reference amount) of 15 millilitres (ml) for liquid candies; create a new product category under "Sugars and Sweets," identified as "Chocolate-covered fondants (e.g. chocolate-covered creams, chocolate-covered mints), taffy, and plain toffee," with a reference amount of 30 grams (g); and clarify what kinds of candies belong to the "all other candies" product category by expanding the category name to include specific examples. The proposed changes are based on information provided in the letters and on analyses of the petitioners' data and of the most recent candy consumption data available from the US Department of Agriculture's 1994 and 1995 Continuing Survey of Food Intakes by Individuals.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer Information
8.	Relevant documents: - 63 FR 1078, 8 January 1998; - 21 CFR Part 101. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined Proposed date of entry into force:
10.	Final date for comments: 24 March 1998
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail, and telefax number of other body: