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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>EUROPEAN COMMUNITY</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Commission of the European Communities
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): Natural Mineral Waters NC 22011 000
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive Amending Council Directive 80/777/EC on the Approximation of the Laws of Member States Relating to the Exploitation and Marketing of Natural Mineral Waters (2 pages)
6.	Description of content: Proposal for an up-date of the existing Directive. Main proposed changes: system of establishing criteria relating to the composition of mineral waters; extension of period of recognition of Natural Mineral Waters (NMW) from third countries; revision of wording referring to treatments allowed; way of indicating the statement of analytical composition in the labelling.
7.	Objective and rationale: Up-date of existing Directive: alignment of the existing Directive with the development of horizontal measures in EEC food legislation.
8.	Relevant documents: O.J. C314 of 11 November 1994, pages 4-5
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Adoption: September 1995 Entry into force: One month later
10.	Final date for comments: 28 February 1995
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: DG III-A-1