

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>FRANCE</u>
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Solidarity, Health and Social Security
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): Proprietary medicinal products
5. Title: Decree Amending Certain Provisions of the Public Health Code (Section Establishing Regulations) and Concerning Advertising of Pharmaceutical and Medicinal Products
6. Description of content: The text specifies the composition and duties of the Supervisory Commission for advertising and information on the proper use of medicinal products. It establishes ethical principles governing the labelling and advertising of medicinal products.
7. Objective and rationale: Under this text the Commission, which is already responsible for supervising advertising, is given powers concerning information on the proper use of medicinal products. The purpose is to make information more independent of the pharmaceutical industry, and to supplement the information provided to practitioners by medical sales representatives.
8. Relevant documents: Article L 551, R-5045 and following of the Public Health Code
9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: 1 October 1990
10. Final date for comments:
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: