

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

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NOTIFICATION

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

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| 1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>BELGIUM</u> |
| 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Public Health and the Environment Inspectorate of Foodstuffs Cité Administrative de l'Etat-Vésale Boulevard Pachéco, 19 bte 5 1010 Brussels |
| 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): Spirits |
| 5. Title: Royal Order Revoking Royal Order No. 57 of 20 December 1934 on Spirits |
| 6. Description of content: The new text eliminates the requirement of a certificate of origin to accompany all transport consignments of spirits with a protected designation, as well as verification of that document at the time of customs clearance. |
| 7. Objective and rationale: The revocation is justified by the requirement of eliminating intracommunity customs inspection by 1 January 1993 and by the need no longer to subject the movement of spirituous beverages with a reserved geographical designation, referred to in Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No. 1576/89, to inspection formalities not explicitly foreseen by that regulation nor imposed by its implementing modalities. |
| 8. Relevant documents: Royal Order No. 57 of 20 December 1934 (Moniteur Belge of 4 January 1935), as amended by the Royal Orders of 28 January 1971 (M.B. of 2 February 1972) and 17 April 1980 (M.B. of 6 May 1980) |
| 9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: |
| 10. Final date for comments: |
| 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: |