

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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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 Agriculture, Nature Management and Fisheries. Marketing Board for Fruit and Vegetables
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): 0709
5. Title: Amendment (1992/1) of the 1981 Regulation on Preserved Vegetables
6. Description of content: Preserved vegetables (mushrooms). This amendment adapts the provisions for preserved mushrooms. Mushrooms preserved by heat treatment may now contain 20 mg./kg. sulphur dioxide and its salts (including the surrounding fluid). For deep frozen white vegetables the maximum content is 50 mg./kg. A drainage weight of 6000 g. is laid down for plastic packaging of between 9 and 11 litres. The requirement is also dropped by stating on the packaging of preserved mushrooms what kind of mushrooms they were before preservation. Finally, a number of labelling provisions are dropped in the light of the Food Labelling Act of 15 March 1992.
7. Objective and rationale: The provisions are adapted partly at the request of the industry and partly as a result of new national laws of a higher order than a marketing board regulation.
8. Relevant documents: Industrial Organization Act (already sent under notification 90/123/NL). Act establishing the Fruit and Vegetables Marketing Board (1954). Decree on the Quality of Fruit and Vegetables of 5 August 1977 (Stb. 1977, 490).
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: As soon as possible
10. Final date for comments:
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [x] or address of other body: