

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

## TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

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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 Poultry and Eggs
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):  0207
5. Title: Regulation on the Irradiation of Poultry Meat
6. Description of content: Poultry meat.  Under this regulation undertakers may only irradiate poultry meat or trade in irradiated poultry meat where it is clearly marked for institutions, patients who need sterile food on medical prescription or for the processing industry.
7. Objective and rationale: For reasons of costs, availability of alternatives and protection of sales, the poultry meat sector wishes to regulate the irradiation of poultry meat. The use of radiation is therefore limited to very precise target groups, where irradiation can limit the risk of infected food, and to the processing industry.
8. Relevant documents:  Industrial Organization Act (already sent under notification 90/0123/NL). Act establishing marketing board for poultry meat and eggs (1955). Irradiated Food Act of 2 April 1922 (Stb. 1992, 205).
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: As soon as possible
10. Final date for comments: 23 October 1992
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: