

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>CANADA</u>
2. Agency responsible: Department of National Health and Welfare
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): Tobacco products
5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Proposed Amendment to the Tobacco Products Control Regulations
6. Description of content: The amendments to the current Regulations will increase the area in which the health message is displayed on tobacco packages from 20 per cent to 25 per cent. A border surrounding the health message will also be mandatory. The text of each message will be required to be in black type on a white background and in white type on a black background. Seven health messages will be stipulated in the Regulations. The health message on cartons of cigarettes will be required to be displayed on all sides of the carton. Information respecting the toxic constituents obtained from smoking cigarettes, namely, tar, nicotine and carbon monoxide, will be required to be displayed more prominently on cigarette packages.
7. Objective and rationale: Protection of human health
8. Relevant documents: Canada Gazette, Part I, 20 March 1993, Pages 795-807
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Not stated
10. Final date for comments: 19 April 1993
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: