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NOTIFICATION

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

- 1. Party to Agreement notifying: NORWAY
- 2. Agency responsible: Norwegian Food Control Authority
- 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):

Foodstuffs

- 5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Draft Regulations Concerning Drinks Used in Connection with Intense Physical Efforts (2 pages, available in Norwegian)
- 6. Description of content: The regulations define the composition of drinks used in connection with intense physical activities and cover liquid and powder concentrates of these products. Limited quantities of certain minerals may be added to these products to meet physiological needs. Prior to the draft regulations, the sale of such products was not permitted in Norway.

Composition: Compulsory requirements. Liquid products must be water-based. The products must contain a minimum of 2 per cent energy-giving carbohydrates; they must also contain natural or added sodium, within specified limits. Optional requirements: Potassium, calcium and magnesium may be added within specified limits.

Labelling: Compulsory requirements. The label must clearly state the intended use of the products. For concentrates and powders, the directions for use must be clearly shown on the label. The total content of sodium, potassium, calcium and magnesium must be stated if this exceeds specified limits. The total mineral content of a product must be given in mg. per 100 ml. The general regulations concerning the labelling of foodstuffs shall also apply.

- 7. Objective and rationale: Consumer protection
- 8. Relevant documents: -
- 9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Not yet decided
- 10. Final date for comments: 15 June 1993
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: