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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>UNITED STATES</u> |
| 2. Agency responsible: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (412) |
| 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): Motor vehicles (HS Chapter 87) |
| 5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Occupant Crash Protection; Seat Belt Assemblies (3 pages) |
| 6. Description of content: This notice proposes to allow manufacturers of replacement seat belt assemblies a choice of two means of providing information regarding the seating positions and vehicle models for which the assemblies are appropriate: either on the assembly or in the installation instruction sheet currently required to accompany the assembly. This notice also proposes to remove the labelling requirement for two types of seat belt assemblies when they are installed as original equipment in a new motor vehicle. |
| 7. Objective and rationale: To provide manufacturers with more flexibility in the manner of providing this information without decreasing the likelihood that belts will be correctly installed. |
| 8. Relevant documents: 58 FR 27517, 10 May 1993; 9 CFR Part 112. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted. |
| 9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: To be determined |
| 10. Final date for comments: 24 June 1993 |
| 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: |