

# 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>UNITED STATES</u>
2. Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (413)
3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [], 2.6.1 [X], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Lead soldered cans
5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Emergency Action Levels; Lead in Food Packed Lead-Soldered Cans (4 pages)
6. Description of content: The administration is announcing emergency action levels of 80 micrograms per kilogram (80 parts per billion) for lead in fruit beverages (such as juices, nectars, and drinks) packed in lead-soldered cans and 250 parts per billion for all other food packed in lead-soldered cans.
7. Objective and rationale: These emergency action levels are an interim measure to protect infants and young children from injury or impairment that could result from consistent consumption of fruit beverages and other food that contain lead at levels greater than 80 parts per billion and 250 parts per billion, respectively.
8. Relevant documents: 58 FR 17233, 1 April 1993.
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force:
10. Final date for comments: 1 June 1993
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: