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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: UNITED STATES

2. Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (417)

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):

Dietary supplements

5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Food Labelling; General Requirements for Health Claims for Dietary Supplements (16 pages)

6. Description of content: The Administration is proposing to revise its food labelling regulations to make dietary supplements of vitamins, minerals, herbs, or other similar nutritional substances subject to the general requirements that apply to all other types of food with respect to the use of health claims that characterize the relationship of a substance to a disease or health-related condition on the label and in labelling, and the content of petitions for obtaining approval of such health claims.

- 7. Objective and rationale: In response to provisions of the Nutrition Labelling and Education Act of 1990 and the Dietary Supplement Act of 1992 that bear on health claims.
- 8. Relevant documents: 58 FR 33700, 18 June 1993; 21 CFR Part 101. Will appear in the Federal Register when apopted.
- 9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: The agency is proposing that any final rule that may be issued based upon this proposal become effective six months following its publication.

10. Final date for comments: 17 August 1993

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body:

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