

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
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NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>NETHERLANDS</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Nature Management and Fisheries
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): 060110900
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Modification XVIII PVS Regulation Governing Flower Bulb Quality Regulations (Dahlia) (10 pages)
6.	Description of content: Flower bulbs. During the 1992/1993 season, the material has to be tested for the Tomato Bronze Spot Virus (TSWV) beforehand. As from the 1993/1994 season, an additional standard percentage of 5.2 per cent will apply. The obsolescent term "circular spot virus" has been abandoned.
7.	Objective and rationale: Quality promotion. Apparently, the export of dahlias has caused problems in a number of countries.
8.	Relevant documents: Act Governing the Business Organization. Establishment Act of the Commodity Board for Ornamental Plants 1954. Agricultural Quality Order Flower Bulbs, 24 November 1980, Stb. (Staatsblad) 1980, 632. PVS Regulation Governing Flower Bulb Quality Regulations. Dahlia Appendix to PVS Regulation Governing Flower Bulb Quality Regulations.
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 1 August 1993
10.	Final date for comments: 31 July 1993
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: