

**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>GERMANY</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Federal Ministry for Health
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): (a) Matches for personal and household requirements; (b) metal objects with food contact, also if they have a plastic coating of up to 3 g. per m. ² ; (c) dyes and pigments in objects with only temporary skin contact, such as clothing and bed linen; (d) untreated wood and branches used to produce fresh smoke for the smoking of foods; (e) pesticides for indoor use with special release devices continually emitting dichlorvos, pyrethrum or pyrethroids.
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Ordinance on the Amendment of the Commodities' Ordinance
6.	Description of content: (a) Ban on the manufacture of matches using white or yellow phosphorus; (b) ban on the migration of lead to foods. The detection level of the test method used should be 0.1 milligramme lead per kilogramme food; (c) ban on azo dyes that may split off carcinogenic arylamine compounds; (d) ban on the use of such wood and branches as contain more than 0.5 milligrammes pentachlorophenol per kilogramme; (e) warnings on pesticides, the application device and the packaging.
7.	Objective and rationale: Health-related protection of consumers from matches containing white or yellow phosphorus, from specific carcinogenic substances in textiles with prolonged skin contact, from lead released from objects with food contact, from foods contaminated with pentachlorophenol through smoking, from given pesticides for indoor use

8.	Relevant documents: Draft Ordinance on the Amendment of the Commodities' Ordinance
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: End 1993
10.	Final date for comments:
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address of other body: Federal Ministry for Health Referat 416 D-53108 Bonn