

**GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>SWEDEN</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of the Environment and Natural Resources
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): HCFCs and halons Certain products forming part of or containing plastic foam which has been manufactured using HCFCs as the blowing agent.
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Ordinance Amending the Ordinance on CFCs, halons etc. (1988:716)
6.	Description of content: Ban on certain use of HCFCs. Ban on import of certain products forming part of or containing plastic foam which has been manufactured using HCFCs as the blowing agent. Ban on the import of halons.
7.	Objective and rationale: Environmental protection. HCFCs as well as halons deplete the ozone layer, which protects against UV radiation. The proposed Ordinance aims at achieving further reduction of the use of HCFCs and halons. The ban on halons is an implementation of an agreement among the parties to the Montreal Protocol. The same applies to the HCFC Regulations although the Swedish reduction will be faster.
8.	Relevant documents: Earlier notification TBT/Notif.92.130

9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Planned entry into force: 1 January 1994
10.	Final date for comments: 15 December 1993
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: