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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>UNITED STATES</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Federal Trade Commission (34)
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. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Textile wearing apparel and certain piece goods (HS Chapter 62 and 63)
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Request for Comments Concerning Trade Regulation Rule on Care Labelling of Textile Wearing Apparel and Certain Piece Goods (3 pages)
6.	Description of content: The Commission is requesting public comments on its Trade Regulation Rule on Care Labelling of Textile Wearing Apparel and Certain Piece Goods ("The Care Labelling Rule" or "The Rule"). The Commission is requesting comments about the overall costs and benefits of the Rule and its overall regulatory and economic impact as a part of its systematic review of all current commission regulations and guides. The Commission also is requesting comment on whether the Rule should be modified so as to: (1) permit the use of care symbols in lieu of words; (2) revise the requirements for care instructions in order to provide consumers with information about whether a garment can be both washed and dry cleaned; and (3) clarify the "Reasonable Basis" requirements of the Rule.
7.	Objective and rationale: To update requirements
8.	Relevant documents: 59 FR 30733; 15 June 1994; 16 CFR Part 423. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 15 August 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: National inquiry point