

**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>SWITZERLAND</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Federal Office for Social Insurances
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): Technical appliances and equipment (machines ready for use, appliances, installations, tools and protective equipment in regard to professional and non-professional use)
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Decree concerning the Safety of Technical Appliances and Equipment
6.	Description of content: Determination of general principles for the safety of technical appliances and equipment. They are based on EC Directives.
7.	Objective and rationale: Harmonization of Swiss technical regulation with the EC Directives on machinery 89/392/EEC, gas appliances 90/396/EEC and personal protective equipment 89/686/EEC
8.	Relevant documents: Federal Law concerning the Safety of Technical Appliances and Equipment
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 1 January 1995
10.	Final date for comments: 26 September 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: