## **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>CANADA</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture
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): Seed potatoes
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document:
	Proposed Amendment to the Seeds Regulations
6.	Description of content: The control of the tobacco veinal necrosis strain of Potato Virus Y ( $PVY^n$ ) will be introduced into the Seeds Regulations. By controlling $PVY^n$ in seed potato fields, there will be less chance of the potato crop will be required. No potatoes may be grown in a field found positive for the disease the previous year. Other minor changes will enhance the inspection, certification and testing programmes to the benefit of both regulators and industry.
7.	Objective and rationale: Protection of plant health
8.	Relevant documents: Canada Gazette, Part I, 3 September 1994, pages 3934-3941
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Not stated
10.	Final date for comments: 3 October 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: