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 National Health and Welfare
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): Condoms
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document:
	Proposed Amendment to Medical Devices Regulations
6.	Description of content: Schedule I is amended to:
	- Permit female condoms to be labelled and advertised for reducing the risk of transmission or venereal diseases, a claim formerly permitted only for male condoms.
	- Permit the sale of male condoms manufactured from synthetic materials (i.e. materials other than latex rubber or of animal origin).
	- Include design and testing requirements for (1) male condoms made from synthetic materials, and (2) female condoms.
7.	Objective and rationale: Protection of health
8.	Relevant documents: Canada Gazette, Part I, 8 October 1994, pages 4194-4199
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: Not stated
10.	Final date for comments: 22 November 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: