

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party and Agency: <u>Sweden</u> : National Board of Occupational Safety and Health.
2. Provision of the Agreement: Article 2.5.2
3. Product(s) covered, CCCN Heading (National Tariff Heading where applicable): Asbestos and products made from asbestos (CCC-No 25.24, 68.12, 68.13 and 68.14)
4. Title of project: Draft Regulation concerning asbestos
5. Description: The draft regulation concerns every activity where asbestos and material made from asbestos is produced and used. Asbestos may only be used for special purposes and for the manufacturing of special indispensable products, after permission by the National Board of Occupational Safety and Health. A package containing asbestos or material thereof must when used be clearly marked in Swedish with certain information relevant to the prevention of ill-health.
6. Objective and rationale: Occupational safety and health.
7. Relevant document(s): The draft regulation is to replace the National Board for Occupational Safety and Health Directions concerning asbestos (No 52, 1975), paragraph 135 in Directions No 107, 1976 and all below enumerated Notices concerning the use of asbestos /1975:10 ^{1/} , 1975:11 ^{1/} , 1975:23, 1975:24, 1975:28, 1975:29, 1976:5, 1976:7, 1976:8, 1976:20, 1976:21, 1976:39 and 1978:36 ^{1/} .
8. Where published, when adopted: In the statute-book issued by the National Board of Occupational Safety and Health (AFS)
9. Final date for submission of comments: 31 January 1981
10. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 1 January 1982

^{1/} Annexes 1 and 2 in Directions No 52.