

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

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| 1. | Member to Agreement notifying: <u>NETHERLANDS</u><br>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):   |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Ministry of Transport and Public Works<br>Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification can be indicated if different from above: National enquiry point   |
| 3. | Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:  |
| 4. | Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Portholes, deadlights and windows on board fishing vessels  |
| 5. | Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Notice to the Deep-Sea Fishing Trade Amending the Notice to the Deep-Sea Fishing Trade No. 9/1989 (Provisions for Portholes, Deadlights and Windows)   |
| 6. | Description of content: This Notice to the Deep-Sea Fishing Trade contains rules for the construction, materials and strength of portholes, deadlights and windows. These regulations are based on standards laid down by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). The Dutch Standardization Institute (NNI) has adopted the ISO standards in question as Dutch NEN-ISO standards. An indicative summary of the technical regulations is given below:<br><br>Articles 3 to 11 inclusive and 13 to 16 inclusive.<br><br>This Notice largely conforms to the Notice to the Shipping Industry No. 269/1990. |
| 7. | Objective and rationale: Insofar as the draft amendment to the Notice contains technical barriers to trade, these measures are justified in the interests of public safety. A clause of mutual recognition has been included in Article 17 for the benefit of foreign products which fulfil the requirements set in the country of origin.  |

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| 8.  | Relevant documents: The original Notice did not include an explanatory note. The Fishing Vessels Decree   |
| 9.  | Proposed date of adoption: 5 November 1997<br>Proposed date of entry into force: 6 November 1997  |
| 10. | Final date for comments: 4 November 1997<br><br>The Netherlands will proceed to implement the proposed measure after 45 days if no comments or requests for extension of the time-limit have been received from other Members within that time. |
| 11. | Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body:   |