

NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: The Office of Food and Drug Administration (Thai FDA) Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall 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): Stevioside and its compound diet foods
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: The Ministry of Public Health Notification No. 262, dated 26 September 2002 entitled " Stevioside and Diet Foods Contain Stevioside" (2 pages, available in Thai)
6.	Description of content: As deemed necessary to approve the Stevia extracted Stevioside as a compound diet foods for body – weight control, the Minister of Public Health is authorized to notify the public that: (i) Stevioside which is extracted from Stevia (Stevia rebaudiana Bertoni) is determined as specific-controlled-food, (ii) Stevioside must have quality or standard as specified under this notification, (iii) Diet foods contain stevioside must be specifically limited to body-weight control as provided by the Ministerial Notification No.121(1989), and (iv) Stevioside and diet foods contain stevioside must be labelled in accordance with the general provision on labelling under the relevant ministerial notification except for certain provisions specified under this notification must be complied with mainly, the label for stevioside directly sold to consumer must be declared statements "stevia extracted" and "for adult only", product not directly sold to consumer must be declared statement "for body – weight contain foods only" the label for body – weight contain stevioside must be declared statements" used stevia extracted stevioside
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection for consumer

8.	Relevant documents: The official gazette, vol.119, special chapter 91 d, dated 30 September 2002 (2 pages, available in Thai)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: - Proposed date of entry into force: 1 October 2002
10.	Final date for comments: -
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: National Bureau of Agriculture Commodity and Food Sandards (ACFS) Division of Agriculture Commodity and Food Standards Policy 3 Ratchadamnern-Nok Road, Bangkok 10200, THAILAND Tel: (662) 629-8970 Fax: (662) 629-8978 Website: www.acfs.go.th E-mail: acfspol@acfs.go.th