

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>CZECH REPUBLIC</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
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): Foodstuffs and tobacco products (HS Chapters 16-24)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Draft Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture amending the Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture No. 220/1998 Coll. on Method And Scope of the Conformity Assessment of Foodstuffs And Tobacco Products, And on Methods of Sampling And Preparation of Inspection Samples of Foodstuffs (9 pages, in Czech)
6.	Description of content: The Decree is drafted according to Art. 18, items b) and c) of the Act No. 110/1997 Coll., on Foodstuffs And Tobacco Products And Amendments to Some Related Acts. This Decree lays down the methods and scope of conformity assessment of foodstuffs and tobacco products, the scope and content of the written declaration of conformity, types of foodstuffs on which the manufacturer or importer shall issue the declaration of conformity in writing, the method of sampling and preparation of inspection samples of foodstuffs for the conformity assessment, unless the selection and number of samples for the assessment of microbiological requirements according to Art. 18, letter b) of Act is the case.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To approximate Czech legal system to the EC regulations
8.	Relevant documents: Act 110/1997 Coll. Decree 220/1998 Coll.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: First quarter of 2000
10.	Final date for comments: 20 January 2000
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: