

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>UNITED STATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture (64) Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification can 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): Olives (HS Chapter 0709.90)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Olives Grown in California and Imported Olives; Establishment of Minimum Quality Requirements for California and Imported Olives, and Revision of Outgoing Inspection Requirements and Procedures for California Olives (7 pages)
6.	Description of content: This proposal invites comments on the establishment of minimum quality requirements for California olives under Marketing Order 932 and imported olives to replace grade requirements currently in effect which are based on the United States standards for grades of canned ripe olives (standards). This proposal would also revise outgoing inspection requirements and procedures for California olives.
7.	Objective and rationale: To reduce handling costs, especially inspection costs, and improve consumer satisfaction.
8.	Relevant documents: 61 FR 57782, 8 November 1996; 7 CFR Parts 932 and 944. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 25 November 1996
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: