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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>CANADA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Transport 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): Trailer cargo anchoring devices
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposed Amendment to the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations (Trailer Cargo Anchoring Devices) (pages 2364-2371; in English and French)
6.	Description of content: This proposed amendment would add Section 905, which is titled "Trailer Cargo Anchoring Devices", to the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations, and it incorporates by reference an accompanying test method called Test Method 905 - Trailer Cargo Anchoring Devices (August 1998). Section 905 introduces requirements governing the minimum number and strength of the attachment points to which tie-down assemblies are affixed. It applies to trailers with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of 10,000 kg. or more without permanent sides or a roof, such as flatbed, heavy hauler, industrial, lowbed and drop-centre trailers. The intent of the proposed Regulations is to ensure that all trailers manufactured after the effective date of this amendment are equipped with anchoring devices of sufficient number and strength to restrain their loads.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human safety
8.	Relevant documents: Canada Gazette, Part I, 5 September 1998
9.	Proposed date of adoption: not stated Proposed date of entry into force: 1 September 1999
10.	Final date for comments: 5 October 1998
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: