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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>THE NETHERLANDS</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management 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 – EC WTO TBT 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): Packaging and labelling of dangerous goods to be transported by air, aircraft.
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Decree regulating the transport of dangerous goods by air (Decree on the transport of dangerous goods by air).
6.	Description of content: The draft Decree which contains an implementing measure of the Act which was previously notified to the Commission under G/TBT/Notif. 99.572 and which amends the Aviation Act (transport of dangerous goods and of animals), particularly concerns the re-codification in Dutch legislation of the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air based on Annex 18 to the Treaty of Chicago. The instructions have been drafted by the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) which was set up pursuant to the International Civil Aviation Treaty concluded in Chicago on 7 December 1944 (Treaties Journal 1973, 109). The draft does not alter the content of the requirements which are currently being prescribed for the construction, design, equipment and loading of aircraft, the packaging and labelling of dangerous goods to be transported by air, and for those who, pursuant to an accreditation, transport dangerous goods or have these transported.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The draft Decree has been drafted to implement international obligations in the interest of maintaining international safety. The technical regulations mentioned under point 6 apply to national and imported products alike.
8.	Relevant documents: Act amending the Aviation Act (transport of dangerous goods and animals).

9.	Proposed date of adoption: 1 January 2002 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 March 2002
10.	Final date for comments: 30 November 2001
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: