

**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>THE NETHERLANDS</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Commodity Board for Soft Drinks and Waters 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): Soft drinks and waters
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Third Amendment to the Decree Implementing Deposits on Soft Drinks and Waters 1998
6.	Description of content: The Decree Implementing Deposits on Soft Drinks and Waters 1998 includes different deposit amounts. The amendment to the Implementation Decree prescribes that deposit amounts for bottles be specified on the label. The designation must be clearly visible.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The amendment to the Implementation Decree renders the designation of bottle deposits on the label compulsory. The aim of the amendment is to create more clarity on behalf of the consumer and to facilitate the sorting of empty bottles (returnable bottles versus non-returnable bottles).
8.	Relevant documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Industrial Organization Act;</li><li>- Establishment Ordinance;</li><li>- Deposits Regulation issued by the Soft Drinks and Waters Commodity Board;</li><li>- Decree Implementing Deposits on Soft Drinks and Waters 1997.</li></ul>
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 22 June 1999 Proposed date of entry into force: 5 July 1999
10.	Final date for comments: 19 May 1999
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [ X ] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: