

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>POLAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: MINISTERSTWO ZDROWIA (Ministry of Health) Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [X], 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): PCN 2402 and 2403
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Regulation of the Minister of Health amending regulation on contents, design and methods of inserting inscriptions warning against harmful effects of smoking and information on contents of tar and nicotine and on admissible contents of harmful substances in tobacco products and methods of determining these contents.
6.	Description of content: The regulation provides for: 1. Warning inscriptions on packs of tobacco product; 2. decrease of admissible tar content (from 15 to 12 mgs.) and of nicotine (from 1.5 to 1.2 mgs.); 3. methods of determining contents of harmful substances according to ISO standards.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Adjustment of Polish regulations to EU regulations (Directives 89/622/EEC and 92/41/EEC)
8.	Relevant documents: The Law of 9 November 1995 on protection of health against consequences of smoking and use of tobacco products [" <i>Dziennik Ustaw</i> " (Journal of Laws) of 1996 nos: 10, item 55; 88, item 554; 121, item 770 and og 1999 no 96, item 1107]
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: } September 2000
10.	Final date for comments:
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: Ministry of Health, Department of Public Health Ul. Miodowa 15 00-952 Warsaw Poland Fax: (48-22) 635-88-52