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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Environmental Protection Agency
3.	Products covered (tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Diphenylamine on pears
4.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Diphenylamine; Pesticide Tolerances
5.	Description of content: The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to establish a time-limited tolerance of 10 PPM for residues of Diphenylamine in or on pears. This regulation proposes to establish a maximum permissible level for residues of Diphenylamine in this food commodity pursuant to section 408(e) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996. The tolerance will expire and is revoked on 1 December 2001.
6.	Objective and rationale: Human health
7.	An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist [X]. If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, whenever possible, identify deviations: An international standard guideline or recommendation does not exist for Diphenylamine on pears. There is a Codex MRL for Diphenylamine on apples.
8.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: 64 FR 8273, 19 February 1999 (available in English, 6 pages); 40 CFR Part 180
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Will be announced when the final rule is published in the Federal Register.
10.	Proposed date of entry into force: <i>Idem</i>
11.	Final date for comments: 8 March 1999 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: Environmental Protection Agency

12. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telefax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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