

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>ARGENTINA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: National Agriculture and Food Quality and Health Service 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 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [X], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Phytosanitary products
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: National Agriculture and Food Quality and Health Service Resolution 230/2000 (2 pages, Spanish)
6.	Description of content: Conditions to be met by laboratories suitable for conducting analysis to determine physical and chemical properties and subsequently issue reports on their findings, with a view to registering phytosanitary products.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The Handbook of Procedure, Criteria and Scope for the Registration of Phytosanitary Products of Argentina establishes specific guidelines pertaining to the determination of composition, toxicological and ecotoxicological aspects of phytosanitary products. The manual gives the competent authority the power to decide on the acceptability, suitability and consistency of the data provided, pertaining to the technical grade active substance or the phytosanitary product being supported. In view of this, it has been decided that an extension of the aforementioned guidelines is highly desirable, together with the creation of a specific legal framework for the recognition of laboratories suitable for carrying out the analysis, with a view to giving the registry system regular standards, greater security and reliability.
8.	Relevant documents: -
9.	Proposed date of adoption: - Proposed date of entry into force: 31 March 2000
10.	Final date for comments: -

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body:

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