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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>THE NETHERLANDS</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Transport and Public Works 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): Amsterdam dump barges (inland vessels)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Regulation on Amsterdam Dump Barges.
6.	Description of content: This ministerial regulation contains technical requirements which Amsterdam dump barges are required to meet when using the inland waterways in the Amsterdam port area.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Due to the fact that Amsterdam dump barges deviate from conventional towed barges in a number of ways and they show likeness to pushed barges in terms of layout, the present Regulation contains the technical requirements which pertain to pushed barges.
8.	Relevant documents: Inland Shipping Act Inland Shipping Decree
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } 3 August 1998
10.	Final date for comments: 15 July 1998
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of other body: