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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>BELGIUM</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2): BELGIUM
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Public Health and the Environment Cité Administrative de l'Etat Quartier Vésale Boulevard Pachéco 19/5 B-1010 Brussels Tel.: +32 2 210 63 58 Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
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): Medicines containing at least one of the following analgesics: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Paracetamol;- acetylsalicylic acid;- a derivative of pyrazolone;- ibuprofen; in association with ascorbic acid as active principle. Medicaments containing at least one of the above-mentioned analgesics and codeine at a dosage per unit of less than the equivalent of 30 mg of codeine phosphate, an exception being provided for medicaments registered for exclusively paediatric use.
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Ministerial Order Regulating the Supply of Medicaments for Human Use Containing Certain Analgesic-Based Combinations
6.	Description of content: The supply of the medicaments mentioned above is suspended for a period of one year.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: The uncontrolled use of medicaments containing certain analgesic-based combinations could have serious side effects. Combining an analgesic with substances such as ascorbic acid does not have a sufficiently well established therapeutic effect.

8.	Relevant documents: -
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force:
	} 60 days
10.	Final date for comments:
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body: CIBELNOR