

# 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.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>UNITED STATES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Consumer Product Safety Commission (29) <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>
3.	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
4.	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b>  Multi-Purpose Lighters (HS Chapter 9613)
5.	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Multi-Purpose Lighters; Request for Additional Comment (3 pages)
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> The Commission formerly proposed that the degree of child resistance is measured by a test with a panel of children to see how many can operate a multi-purpose lighter that has its on/off switch in the off, or locked, position. In this notice, the Commission proposes that the child-panel tests instead be conducted with the on/off switch in the on, or unlocked, position.
7.	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To provide additional protection when the users of the lighters do not return the switch to the off position after use.
8.	<b>Relevant documents:</b> 64 FR 42302, 4 August 1999; 16 CFR Part 1212 and G/TBT/Notif.98.493 of 30 September 1998. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b>
10.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 18 October 1999
11.	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body:</b> The text is also available on the Internet at: <a href="http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/index.html">http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/index.html</a>