

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

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| 1. | Member to Agreement notifying: <u>SOUTH AFRICA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Department of Health |
| 3. | Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable). Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Beverages and liquor products |
| 4. | Title and number of pages of the notified document: Regulations Governing Certain Solvents in Foodstuffs. Government Notice No. R. 911 dated 28 September 2001 (1 page) |
| 5. | Description of content: Deems beverages to be contaminated or impure if they contain more than 10 mg per kilogram of benzene and liquor products must not exceed the specified maximum level of methanol as stipulated under the Liquor Products Act, 1989. |
| 6. | Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests |
| 7. | An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> . If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations: |
| 8. | Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Government Gazette No. 22694 dated 28 September 2001 (Available in English) |
| 9. | Proposed date of adoption: 28 September 2001 |
| 10. | Proposed date of entry into force: 28 September 2001 |

- 11. Final date for comments:** Three months after the date of adoption
Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National notification authority, [] National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:

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- 12. Texts available from:** [] National notification authority, [] National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Ms V Carolissen-Mackay, Directorate: Food Control. Details as above