

**GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1.	Party to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u>
2.	Agency responsible: Department of Agriculture (8)
3.	Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Logs, lumber and wood articles (HS Chapter 44)
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Importation of Logs, Lumber and Other Unmanufactured Wood Articles (28 pages)
6.	Description of content: The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service proposes to amend its foreign quarantine regulations by adding a new part "Sub-part - Logs, Lumber and Other Unmanufactured Wood Articles" to establish prohibitions and restrictions concerning imported unmanufactured wood articles. The new sub-part would affect persons importing logs, lumber, bark chips, wood chips, certain wood packing materials, and other unmanufactured wood articles. The service also proposes to change several existing foreign quarantine regulations that currently restrict importation of certain wood articles, to state that such articles would instead be regulated under the proposed new sub-part.
7.	Objective and rationale: Increased interest in importing large volumes of unmanufactured wood articles into the United States and to eliminate any significant plant pest risk associated with importing these articles.
8.	Relevant documents: 59 FR 3002, 20 January 1994; 7 CFR Part 319. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.

9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 20 April 1994
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: