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POSSIBLE AMENDMENT OF NOTE 7 C) TO SECTION XI (PROPOSAL BY THE EC) (Item III.B.8 on Agenda)

I. BACKGROUND TO THE QUESTION

1. On 23 January 2003, the Secretariat received the following note from the EC concerning a proposed amendment to Note 7 (c) to Section XI.

II. NOTE FROM THE EC

2. "The EC classified in CN code 6307 10 10 a non-run interlock wipe with all four edges heat-sealed. The description and grounds are as follow:

Description	CN Code	Reasons
(1)	(2)	(3)
1. Thin knitted non-run interlock wiper of 100 % polyester measuring approximately 21 cm x 21 cm. All four edges are heat-sealed. (Cleaning cloth)	6307 10 10	Classification is determined by General Rules 1 and 6 for the interpretation of the Combined Nomenclature, Note 7 (c) to Section XI, Note 1 to Chapter 63 and by the wording of CN codes 6307, 6307 10 and 6307 10 10. Due to the fact that the edges are heat- sealed, the article is considered to be made-up. See also the HS Explanatory Notes to Section XI, General, (II), 'Made up articles', point 3.

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	See also the HS Explanatory Note to heading 63.07, point 1.
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3. At the moment there is nothing in Note 7 to Section XI about edges that have been "heat-sealed", regarded as a modern form of "hemming" within the meaning of Note 7(c) to Section XI.

Proposal

- 4. Being concerned to obtain increased precision we propose that the word "heat-sealed" (FR: *thermoscellés*) be inserted in Note 7(c) to Section XI:
 - 7. For the purposes of this section the expression "made up" means :

[....]

c) Hemmed or with rolled <u>or heat sealed</u> edges, or with a knotted fringe at any of the edges, but excluding fabrics the cut edges of which have been prevented from unravelling by whipping or other simple means:"

III. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

5. Given the recent arrival of this note from the **EC**, the Secretariat has simply reproduced it without any comment.

IV. CONCLUSION

6. The Sub-Committee is invited to examine the **EC** proposal to amend Note 7 (c) to Section XI, as reproduced in paragraph 4 above.

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