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POSSIBLE AMENDMENT OF THE NOMENCLATURE AND/OR THE EXPLANATORY
NOTE TO HEADING 17.04 CONCERNING "DETECTABLE" COCOA CONTENT

(Item VII.14 on Agenda)

Reference documents :

42.035 (HSC/22)	NC0016E1, paragraphs 30 to 34 (HSC/23)
42.750, Annex H/1, (HSC/22 - Report)	NC0018E1 (HSC/23)
42.806 (SSC/14)	NC0039E1 (HSC/23)
42.850, Annex A/14, (SSC/14 - Report)	NC0090E2, Annex H/1, (HSC/23 – Report)
	NC0133E1 (HSC/24)

I. NOTE FROM THE UNITED STATES ADMINISTRATION

1. On 1 October 1999, the Secretariat received the following comments from the United States Administration concerning detectable cocoa content in products of heading 17.04.
2. "In response to the Secretariat's request regarding detectable cocoa content (Doc. NC0133E1, paragraph 4), the United States has inquired of its domestic industry to determine its view on the potential transfer of goods which would result from the amendment of the legal text to heading 17.04.
3. Please be advised that this Administration has not had experience with any specific product which would be affected by the amendment currently under consideration by the Committee. Furthermore, we have not been able to obtain any firm information from our industry concerning products that could be affected by the amendment."

II. CONCLUSION

4. The Committee is invited to take account of the Note from the US Administration when it examines this agenda item.

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