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4. Notification Number

98/0534/F

5. Title

Draft decree on food supplements for human consumption.

6. Products Concerned

Food supplements.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

This text is intended to lay down the regulations on the composition and labelling applicable to food supplements as defined in Article 1.

It stipulates that food supplements may only be manufactured



from ingredients for which use in human food is authorised, habitual or recognised as such, as well as authorised additives or substances for nutritional purposes.

Nutrients will be authorised for use by means of orders drawn up in the manner laid down in the above-mentioned text.

As well as the statements on labels laid down in Directive 79/112, these products must bear specific statements intended to make the consumer aware of their exact nature and use them appropriately.

Finally, those responsible for their marketing must make a declaration to the inspection authorities at the time of the initial sale of these products.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The development of the food supplements sector necessitates the adoption of measures leading to better monitoring of the market in order to guarantee the protection of public health and the provision of fair information for consumers. In fact, the proposed measures are concerned with the protection of consumer health insofar as these products often contain substances or ingredients which are likely to constitute health risks. Better consumer information is necessary in order to prevent the inappropriate use of food supplements.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

The Consumer Code, in particular Articles L. 214-1 and R. 112-1 0 (sic) R. 112-31 thereof.

Article L. 511 of the Public Health Code.

Decree 91-827 of 29 August 1991 on foods intended for specific diets.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No.

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

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14. Fiscal measures

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