SIXTH COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

of 16 July 1985

adapting to technical progress Annexes II, III, IV, V and VI to Council Directive 76/768/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products

(85/391/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 76/768/EEC of 27 July 1976 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cosmetic products (1), as last amended by Directive 84/415/EEC (2), and in particular Article 8 (2) thereof,

Whereas with a view to safeguarding public health the use of certain hydroquinone ethers in cosmetic products should be prohibited;

Whereas on the basis of the most recent scientific and technical research and subject to certain restrictions and conditions, the use of selenium disulphide in anti-dandruff shampoos may be permitted; whereas the use of certain aluminium zirconium complexes as antiperspirants may be definitively permitted;

Whereas certain preservatives may release formaldehyde and consequently finished products containing them must be made subject to the labelling conditions laid down for formaldehyde;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee for the Adaptation to Technical Progress of the Directives on the Removal of Technical Barriers to Trade in the Cosmetic Products Sector,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

Directive 76/768/EEC is hereby amended as follows:

1. In Annex II:

   — under reference No 167, 'Annex IV, Part 1' is replaced by 'Annex VII, Part 2';

   — reference No 178 is replaced by:

   '178. 4-Benzyloxyphenol, 4-methoxyphenol and 4-ethoxyphenol';

   — reference No 297 is replaced by:

   '297. Selenium and its compounds with the exception of selenium disulphide under the conditions set out under reference No 49 in Annex III, Part 1';

2. In Annex III, Part 1, the following reference numbers are added:

(1) OJ No L 262, 27. 9. 1976, p. 169.
(2) OJ No L 228, 25. 8. 1984, p. 31.