EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations implement Council Directive 92/41/EEC amending Directive 89/622/EEC. They prohibit the supply of tobacco for oral use (as defined in regulation 1(2)), including offering or agreeing to supply it and exposing or possessing it for supply.

Earlier Regulations-the Oral Snuff (Safety) Regulations 1989 (S.I.1989/2347)-which prohibited the supply of oral snuff were quashed by a decision of the High Court (R -vSecretary of State for Health, Ex parte United States Tobacco International Inc. [1991] 3 WLR 529).