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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 85/391/EEC⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 8 (1) thereof,

Whereas Directive 76/768/EEC provides for the official testing of cosmetic products with the aim of ensuring that the conditions laid down by Community provisions concerning the composition of cosmetic products are satisfied;

Whereas all the necessary methods of analysis should be laid down as quickly as possible; whereas three steps towards the attainment of this objective having already been taken through the definition of certain methods in Commission Directive 80/1335/EEC⁽³⁾, 82/434/EEC⁽⁴⁾ and 83/514/EEC⁽⁵⁾, the fourth step is to consist in the definition of methods for the identification and determination of glycerol 1-(4-aminobenzoate), the determination of chlorobutanol, the identification and determination of inorganic sulphites and hydrogen sulphites, the identification and determination of chlorates of the alkali metals and the identification and determination of sodium iodate;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee on the Adaptation of Directive 76/768/EEC to Technical Progress,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

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- (1) OJ No L 262, 27. 9. 1976, p. 169.
- (2) OJ No L 224, 22. 8. 1985, p. 40.
- (**3**) OJ No L 383, 31. 12. 1980, p. 27.
- (4) OJ No L 185, 30. 6. 1982, p. 1.
- (5) OJ No L 291, 24. 10. 1983, p. 9.