INTERMINISTERIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No. 23/MCIA/MSP/MF/2000

Determining the procedures for the marking of packs of cigarettes manufactured or imported or sold in the Republic of Chad

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE, INDUSTRY AND CRAFTS, THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THE MINISTER OF FINANCE

In light of the Constitution;

In light of Decree No. 513/PR/99 of December 13, 1999, concerning the nomination of the Prime Minister, Head of the Government;

In light of Decree No. 392/PR/PM/2000 of August 30, 2000, concerning the reorganization of the Government;

In light of Decree No. 295/PR/PM/SGG/2000 of July 19, 2000, concerning the general structure of the Government and the attributions of its members, the following is hereby

ORDERED

Article 1: Packs of

cigarettes and tobacco products must display on a lateral side section the following general warning: "Abuse is hazardous to health pursuant to Interministerial Administrative Order No. 023 / MCIA / MSP / MF of December 26, 2000," accompanied by the nicotine content and tar content stated in milligrams per cigarette.

Article 2: This statement is to be printed in indelible, perfectly legible characters of a height that may not be less than 1.5 millimeters in the two official languages of the country, French and Arabic.

Article 3: Producers or importers of tobacco have a period of 8 months from the date of the signing of this Administrative Order to enter into compliance with the provisions set forth in Articles 1 and 2.

Article 4: Failure to comply with the provisions of the administrative order shall rescind the offender's Commercial Permit and subject the offender to the sanctions indicated in the regulations in force, particularly Articles 17 and 29 of Law 92.002 of May 26, 1992 and Articles 17 bis 4, and 29.1, 402, 411.1 and the Code of Customs of the UDEAC (*Union Douanière et Économique de l'Afrique Centrale* – Customs and Economic Union of Central Africa)

The Minister of Commerce, Industry and Crafts, the Minister of Public Health and the Minister of Finance may, moreover, order the closing of the establishment, the seizure,

Impounding or destruction of products that do not display any of the statements indicated in Articles 1 and 2 of this Administrative Order.

<u>Article 5</u>: This Administrative Order, which takes effect as of the date of its signing, is to be registered, and published in the *Journal Officiel* ['Official bulletin'] of the Republic.

Done in N'Djamena December 26, 2000

The Minister of Commerce, Industry and Crafts SALIBOU GARBA

The Minister of Public Health
ABDELKERIM NADJO

The Minister of Finance MAHMAT ALI HASSAN