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Marking of tobacco products in relation to the hazardous effect of smoking upon the health.

## THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECURITY

Taking into consideration:

- 1.
- 2.
3. By the recommendations of the International Health Organization concerning the protection of public health, we decide:

All packaging for tobacco products that are made available in any manner whatsoever, within the Greek domain, must have upon their bigger sidelong surface of their packaging written in the Greek language the following markings:

- a. The Ministry for Health warns: (with fonts Helvetica type semi-black of 7 points, capitals and smalls).
- b. **SMOKING IS HAZARDOUS TO YOUR HEALTH** (with fonts Helvetica type semi-black of 9 points capitals).
- c. For the meaning of this decision, we consider as tobacco products, the tobacco products that are suitable for smoking, sucking, inhaling, or chewing and they contain even a portion of tobacco.
- d. The markings required in paragraphs a and b:
  1. Should be placed in a frame.
  2. Should be explicit and legible
  3. They should not be printed in a position that is likely to be spoiled after the opening of the packet.
  4. They should not be printed upon the transparent leaf or any other wrapping paper on the outside of the packaging.

5. They should not be covered or divided into sections through the intervention of other writing, pictures or the sticking on tapes.
6. They should be printed, including the frame, in such a color that creates the strongest contrast with the background of the packaging, which can be created from its existing packaging colors, including white.

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- e. This decree will be in force on the 19<sup>th</sup> February 1989 and will relate to the retail contributors of all tobacco products locally manufactured or imported that come under the said taxation rules.

This decree is to be published in the Government Gazette.

Athens, 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1988

THE MINISTER  
**APOSTOLOS KAKLAMANIS**

