ST 2340 - SALES TAX : INNCOM IN-ROOM CONSOLE MODEL H-1

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I 1218499 INNCOM IN-ROOM CONSOLE SALES TAX (EXEMPTIONS

AND CLASSIFICATIONS) ACT; ITEM 45,

SECOND SCHEDULE

PREAMBLE Item 45 in the Second Schedule to the Sales Tax (Exemptions and Classifications) Act taxes at the rate of 30% appliances of a kind used primarily and principally for the

purpose of receiving radio programs including clock radios.

2. Consideration has recently been given to the sales tax classification of an in-room console which incorporates a clock radio.

FACTS 3. The console has been developed specifically for the accommodation industry for use in hotels, motels, private

hospitals and the like. The console incorporates a number of features including a telephone, an alarm clock, radio and a remote control facility for the control of air conditioning, television and lighting. It also contains a night light, built in theft alarm and an emergency key which activates a 2 way speaker phone connection with a designated receiver, e.g. a room

in a motel is connected with the front desk.

RULING 4. While the Inncom In-room console contains a radio receiver it has a number of other functions and it is not an appliance which is used primarily and principally to receive radio programs. Accordingly, it is not covered by item 45,

Second Schedule. The Innom In-room console is taxable at the

general rate of 20%.

COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION
4 June 1987