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Santa Barbara, September 8, 2003

Dear Reader,

Subject: TTB Notice No. 4

The Global Beer Network, importer of Belgian beer in the USA, supports the proposed rule issued in March 2003 by the TTB that outlines the alcohol content requirements in order for flavored malt beverages (FMB) to be classified as beer. Beer should not have any alcohol content from distilled alcohol. Your 0.5 % is acceptable to us, but too generous.

Beer is a delicious and healthy beverage, created by women about 30,000 years ago in a process completely different from wine-making or distillation. Don't let others corrupt the noble art of brewing by concocting water, flavors, chemicals and distilled alcohol, and presenting the artificial result as beer.

Please give final approval to the proposed 0.5 % standard on FMB's.

Best Regards,

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President