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Fair Trading Act 1999 INTERIM BAN ORDER PROHIBITING THE SUPPLY OF DANGEROUS GOODS

I, Christine Campbell, Minister for Consumer Affairs, pursuant to the powers conferred on me by Part 3 Division 1 of the **Fair Trading Act 1999** hereby make an interim ban order (the "Order") prohibiting the supply in Victoria of the following goods:

Any folding chair (including a chair known as the "York" folding chair) with hinged or pivoting sections which permit the chair to be folded, and where the distance between components forming a trapping space is less than 5 millimetres and the seat is not permanently connected to the back of the chair.

In this Order "trapping space" means a space formed during the operation of folding or unfolding the chair, between any components of the chair which are not of circular cross-section in which it would be possible for one or more fingers to become trapped, pinched or squeezed.

I make this order under section 35(2) of the **Fair Trading Act 1999** on the recommendation of David Cousins, Director of Consumer Affairs Victoria, and because the goods appear to me to be dangerous.

Dated 22 October 2002

CHRISTINE CAMPBELL Minister for Consumer Affairs

Explanatory Note

This Order prohibits, for a fixed period, the supply of any folding chair that falls within the description in the Order. The object is to avoid the risk of serious finger injury if such a folding chair collapses while in use. The Order will expire 3 months after the date of this Gazette, unless it is renewed for a further period of 3 months. It is an offence for a person to supply the banned goods while this Order is in force.

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