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**SAFE DISCHARGE OF THE ADVANCED LIQUID PROCESSING SYSTEM
(ALPS) TREATED WATER IN JAPAN**

SUBMISSION BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The following submission, received on 20 November 2023, is the statement made by the United States of America at the 15-17 November 2023 WTO SPS Committee, and is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the United States of America.

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1. The United States takes note of Japan's intervention and its concern that a number of WTO Members are applying trade restrictive measures due to the release of Advanced Liquid Processing System (ALPS) treated water from the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station.
 2. The United States urges these WTO Members to immediately repeal their measures.
 3. The United States agrees with the position of the IAEA and other international bodies and academia, after rigorous safety reviews, that the discharge of ALPS treated water from the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station does not pose a concern to public safety, and that the discharge will have a negligible impact on any concentrations of elements in international waters.
 4. Members' implementation of prohibitive measures cannot be regarded as being based on scientific principles.
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