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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): <ul style="list-style-type: none">– Meat and edible meat offal (HS Codes: 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06, 02.08 and 02.09);– Fish and crustaceans (HS Codes: 03.02, 03.03, 03.04, 03.06 and 03.07);– Dairy produce, birds' eggs and natural honey (HS Codes: 04.01, 04.07, 04.08, 04.09);– Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS Codes: 07.01, 07.02, 07.03, 07.04, 07.05, 07.06, 07.07, 07.08, 07.09, 07.10, 07.12, 07.13 and 07.14);– Edible fruits and nuts, peel of citrus/melons (HS Codes: 08.01, 08.02, 08.03, 08.04, 08.05, 08.06, 08.07, 08.08, 08.09, 08.10, 08.11, 08.13 and 08.14);– Coffee, tea, mate and spices (HS Codes: 09.01, 09.02, 09.03, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10);– Cereals (HS Codes: 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04, 10.05, 10.06, 10.07 and 10.08);– Oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits (HS Codes: 12.01, 12.02, 12.04, 12.05, 12.06, 12.07, 12.08, 12.10 and 12.12);– Animal fats (HS Code: 15.02); and– Beverages (HS Code: 22.01).
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Revision of the standards and specifications for foods and food additives under the Food Sanitation Law (Revision of Agricultural Chemical residue standards) Language: English Number of pages: 27 http://members.wto.org/cnattachments/2010/sps/JPN/10_2368_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for Azimsulfuron, Clofencet, Clomeprop, Colistin, Cyflufenamid, Lufenuron, 1-Methylcyclopropene, Oxibendazole, Pentoxazone, Propamocarb, Prothioconazole, Pyrimisulfan, Pyriproxyfen, Rafoxanide and Spiromesifen.

7.	Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Food Sanitation Law (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date for comment period.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date for comment period.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): These proposed standards will basically take effect after a certain period of grace.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 13 August 2010</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
13.	<p>Texts available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Standards Information Service International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs 2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 100-8919, Japan Tel.: +(81) 3 5501 8344 Fax: +(81) 3 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p>