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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

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| 1. | Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. | Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) |
| 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): Food additive |
| 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: Withdrawal of 10 food additives that are no longer distributed in Japan from the List of Existing Food Additives (revision of the List of Existing Food Additives prescribed in the Food Sanitation Act). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 3 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/JPN/19_1263_00_e.pdf |
| 6. | Description of content: Ten food additives that have been found to be no longer distributed in the Japanese market are supposed to be prohibited for their use within one year. The food additives are listed in the MHLW Notification No. 45 of 28 February 2019 requesting public comments. These additives will be withdrawn from the List of the Existing Food Additives in the MHLW Notification No. 120 of 16 April 1996. |
| 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. | Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: |

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| 9. | Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: The Food Sanitation Act. When adopted, this amendment will be published in <i>Kampo</i> , the official Japanese Governmental Gazette (available in Japanese). |
| 10. | Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): No later than 27 February 2020. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): No later than 27 February 2020. |
| 11. | Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): On the date of the publication. <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure |
| 12. | Final date for comments: <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 27 August 2019 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: |
| 13. | Text(s) 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: Japan Enquiry Point International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp |