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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)

 Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Food utensils, containers, and packaging
- **5. Title**, **number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Revision of Specifications and Standards for Food, Food Additives, etc. (2 pages, in English)
- **Description of content:** Establishment of specifications and standards for utensils, containers, and packaging made of synthetic resins whose main component is polyethylene naphthalate.

For greater transparency, this revision is also notified through SPS notification.

- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To achieve the purpose of preventing the risk of improving public health under the Food Sanitation Act.
- 8. Relevant documents: The Food Sanitation Act (Available in English)
 When adopted, the amendment is to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette)
 (available in Japanese)
- 9. Proposed date of adoption: As soon as possible after the final date for comment period Proposed date of entry into force: These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period of grace
- **10. Final date for comments:** Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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