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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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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 Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism - MLIT 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 [X], 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): Motor vehicles for the transport of ten or more persons, including the driver. (HS 8702), Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons (other than those of heading 87.02), including station wagons and racing cars. (HS 8703), Motor vehicles for the transport of goods. (HS 8704).
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: The Partial Amendment of "Safety Regulations of Road Transport Vehicles Act, Transport Ordinance" (1 pages, in English).
6.	Description of content: Introduction of UN Regulation (formally called UNECE Regulations) No.138 based on the "1958 Agreement" and additional requirement regarding prohibition of "AVAS Pause Function" which is permitted in the above UN Regulation to national regulation.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: To establish new standards regarding level of traveling sound of Quiet Road Transport Vehicles for the purpose of promoting safety measures for pedestrians and cyclists. Protection of Human health or Safety; Protection of the environment
8.	Relevant documents: Safety Regulations of Road Trucking Vehicles Act, Transport Ordinance (Public Notice of MLIT No. 67, 1951) Public Notice that Prescribes Details of Safety Regulations for the Road Transport Vehicles (Public Notice of MLIT No. 619, 2002), etc. The amendments will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when promulgated.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 7 October 2016 Proposed date of entry into force: 8 October 2016
10.	Final date for comments: 60 days from notification

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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