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Council for Trade in Services

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**NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III:3 OF THE
GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN SERVICES**

The following notification, dated 22 February 2021, from the delegation of Japan, is being circulated to Members of the Council for Trade in Services.

1 MEMBER NOTIFYING:

Japan

2 NOTIFICATION UNDER:

Article III:3 of the General Agreement on Trade in Services

3 DATE OF ENTRY INTO FORCE:

1 April 2021

3.1 Duration:

Indefinite

4 AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE MEASURE:

Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

5 DESCRIPTION OF THE MEASURE:

In order to strengthen the effectiveness of law enforcement for entities including foreign corporations, the amendment of the Telecommunications Business Act introduces regulations related to the obligation to designate the domestic representative or the domestic agent at the time of registration or notification. It also introduces a publication system that also target domestic corporations in the case of violations of the Act.

6 MEMBERS SPECIFICALLY AFFECTED, IF ANY:

None

7 TEXTS AVAILABLE FROM:

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