GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE
Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party to Agreement notifying: JAPAN


3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [x], 2.6.1 [x], 7.3.2 [x], 7.4.1 [x], Other:

4. Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
   - Safety helmets for drivers of motor bicycle (65.06)

5. Title: Amendment to the Ministerial Ordinance Concerning Safety Standards of Specified Kinds of Products under the Jurisdiction of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry

6. Description of content:
   1. To extend the extent of protection of the shell.
   2. To amend the internal shape of the shell. (example) To permit the irregularity of the surface of the shell that is provided for functional purposes.
   3. To amend the standard of the shock absorption and the method of inspection. (example) The acceleration of shock shall be no more than 300 G (2,943 m/s^2) under the shock absorption test. But in the case of the safety helmet for motor bicycle of which total displacement is below 0.125 l (125 cc) the acceleration of shock shall be no more than 400 G (3,924 m/s^2).
   4. To strengthen the strength of the chin-strap.
   5. To prohibit the use of the chin-cup

7. Objective and rationale: Consumer protection


9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: The end of July 1983

10. Final date for comments: 30 June 1983

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [x] or address of other body:

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