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 |
| 2. Agency responsible: | Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries |
| 3. Notified under Article | 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], Other: |
| 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): | Shortenings (HS: 1517.90-091) |
| 5. Title: | Establishment of the Quality Labelling Standards for Shortenings (available in Japanese, 1 page) |
| 6. Description of content: | (1) The definition of shortenings will be established.  
(2) The following items shall be indicated collectively:  
(a) the name of the food;  
(b) the list of ingredients;  
(c) net contents;  
(d) the date of manufacture;  
(e) the name and address of the manufacturer (or importer for imported products);  
(f) the country of origin;  
(g) other related items.  
(3) The method of labelling and the prohibited items of labelling will be established. |
| 7. Objective and rationale: | Consumer protection |
| 8. Relevant documents: | The basic law is the Law Concerning Standardization and Proper Labelling of Agricultural and Forest Products.  
The said standards will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted. |
| 9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: | Not yet determined |
| 10. Final date for comments: | 19 April 1991 |
| 11. Texts available from: | National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: |

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