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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: JAPAN

2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Welfare

3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [X], 7.4.1 [], other:

4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):

Cosmetics

5. Title: Establishment of Comprehensive Licensing Standards by Categories of Cosmetics (available in English, 100 pages)

6. Description of content: In order to introduce a comprehensive licensing system into the existing licensing system of cosmetics, the standards which consist of names and specifications of ingredients allowed are newly established by categories of cosmetics. In case that a manufacturer or importer has a comprehensive licence for manufacturing or importing of those categories of cosmetics, no licence but an advance notification is required on a product-by-product basis for cosmetics which comply with these standards. The standards will be introduced for the following five categories of cosmetics:

- (1) Skin lotions
- (2) Suntan and sunscreen lotions
- (3) Shaving lotions
- (4) Packs
- (5) Face cleansing products

7. Objective and rationale: Simplification and promptness in certification procedures of cosmetics

8. Relevant documents: The basic law is the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law

9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: July 1990

10. Final date for comments: 14 May 1990

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