

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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# TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>JAPAN</u>
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): Fertilizers (HS: 31.01, 31.04, 31.05)
5. Title: Amendment to the Official Standards for Ordinary Fertilizers (available in Japanese, 2 pages)
6. Description of content: (1) To amend the standards for by-product nitrogen fertilizer (2) To amend the standards for by-product potash fertilizer (3) To establish the standards for corn germ (meal) (4) To establish the standards for autoclaved lightweight aerated concrete powder fertilizer (5) To establish the standards for magnesium acetate fertilizer
7. Objective and rationale: To amend the Official Standards for Ordinary Fertilizers, in response to change of farmer's need for fertilizers, and to a request from producers of fertilizers.
8. Relevant documents: The basic law is the Fertilizer Control Law.  The said standards will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: January 1993
10. Final date for comments: 2 November 1992
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: