

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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 Health and Welfare
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): Plastic apparatus, plastic container and plastic package for food (HS: 39.23)
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Amendment to Specifications and Standards for Foods. Food Additives. (Available in English, 1 page)
6.	Description of content: Amendment to specifications for food (apparatus, container and package for food: establishment of specifications for plastic (polycarbonate and polyvinyl alcohol) which is used for food).
7.	Objective and rationale: Public health
8.	Relevant documents: The basic law is the Food Sanitation Law. The said amendment will appear in "KAMPO"(Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: As soon as possible after commenting period
10.	Final date for comments: 1 October 1993
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: