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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 Transport 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): Motor vehicles (HS: 87.01 - 87.05 and 87.16) 5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Amendment to the Safety Regulations for Road Vehicles (available in English, 1 page) 6. Description of content: The main change in this Amendment is modification of gross vehicle weight regulations. The maximum vehicle weight will be raised up to 25 metric tonnes according to such elements as the distance between axles. 7. Objective and rationale: To improve the efficiency of transport by introducing larger motor vehicles. 8. Relevant documents: The basic document is the Safety Regulations for Road Vehicles. The amendment will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted. 9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: November 1993 10. Final date for comments: 10 November 1993 Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: 11.