

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON 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 Home Affairs
3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ], 2.6.1 [ <input type="checkbox"/> , 7.3.2 [ <input type="checkbox"/> , 7.4.1 [ <input type="checkbox"/> , other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Descending lifeline (escape equipment) (HS: 8425.19)
5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Amendment to the Ministerial Ordinance for Technical Regulations of Descending Lifeline (available in English, 2 pages)
6. Description of content: The revised regulations will stipulate improved standards for the structure of Evacuee's Body Holder for Descending Lifeline with a view to preventing its misuse and will have new provisions on anti-corrosion, shock-proof and drop-proof to further ensure safety.
Objective and rationale: To ensure safety
8. Relevant documents: The basic law is the Fire Service Law. The said technical regulations will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 1 June 1993
10. Final date for comments: 27 May 1993
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] or address of other body: