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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: JAPAN If applicable, name of local government involved: 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): All food 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All trading partners [X] [] Specific regions or countries: 5. Title of the notified document: Revision of the Specifications and Standards for Foods, Food Additives, Etc. under the Food Sanitation Act (revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 1 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/SPS/JPN/22 7330 00 e.pdf 6. **Description of content:** The establishment of an exemption from the requirement of an MRL for residues of pesticide: Smoke flavourings; it will be stipulated to be "The substance in food that does not pose any adverse health effect". 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests. 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic [] Animal Health Code, chapter number): [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): [X] None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? []Yes []No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Food Sanitation Act (available in English). When adopted, this standard is to be published in

Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).

10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy***):** To be determined.

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period.

[X] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): Not applicable.

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