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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> 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):
	 Meat and edible meat offal (HS codes: 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06, 02.07, 02.08 and 02.09) Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates (HS codes: 03.02, 03.03, 03.04, 03.06, 03.07 and 03.08) Dairy produce and birds' eggs (HS codes: 04.01, 04.07 and 04.08) Animal originated products (HS code: 05.04) Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS codes: 07.01, 07.02, 07.03, 07.04, 07.05, 07.06, 07.08, 07.09, 07.10, 07.13 and 07.14) Edible fruit and nuts, peel of citrus fruit (HS codes: 08.01, 08.02, 08.04, 08.05, 08.06, 08.07, 08.10, 08.11 and 08.14) Mate and spices (HS codes: 09.03 and 09.10) Cereals (HS codes: 10.01, 10.04, 10.07 and 10.08) Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit (HS codes: 12.01, 12.02, 12.05, 12.06 and 12.12) Animal fats and oils (HS codes: 15.01, 15.02 and 15.06)
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners [] 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: 4
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/JPN/23 09931 00 e.pdf
6.	Description of content: Proposal of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical: Pesticide: Sethoxydim.
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.

Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: 8. 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, these MRLs are to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese). 10. **Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):** As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period. 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 of grace. Trade facilitating measure Γ1 Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 30 July 2023. Comments only to updated MRLs 12. (marked with black circles and/or white circles in attached annexes). Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry 13. Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Japan Enquiry Point International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp