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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>JAPAN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)
<b>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):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Natural honey (HS: 04.09)</li><li>- Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS: 07.02, 07.07, 07.09, 07.10, 07.13 and 07.14)</li><li>- Edible fruit and nuts, peel of citrus fruit (HS: 08.04, 08.05, 08.06, 08.07, 08.08, 08.09, 08.10, 08.11 and 08.14)</li><li>- Tea, mate and spices (HS: 09.02, 09.03, 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10)</li><li>- Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit (HS: 12.07)</li></ul>
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Revision of the Specifications and Standards for Foods, Food Additives, Etc. under the Food Sanitation Act (revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 2 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/JPN/23_13722_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/JPN/23_13722_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Proposal of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical pesticide: Tebufenpyrad
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>food safety</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>animal health</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>plant protection</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease</b> , <input type="checkbox"/> <b>protect territory from other damage from pests.</b>
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b> <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Food Sanitation Act (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).
<b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period.
<b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period of grace. <b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b>
<b>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 21 January 2024 - Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and/or white circles in attached annexes) <b>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:</b>
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