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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: JAPAN		
	If appli	icable, 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: 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: 03.02, 03.03, 03.04, 03.06 and 03.07); - Dairy produce, birds' eggs and natural honey (HS: 04.01, 04.07, 04.08 and 04.09); - Products of animal origin (HS: 05.04); - Animal or vegetable fats and oils (HS: 15.01, 15.02 and 15.06).		
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:		
	[X] A	All trading partners	
	[] 5	Specific regions or countries:	
5.	and Foo	f the notified document: Revision of the Standards and Specifications for Foods of Additives under the Food Sanitation Act (revision of agricultural chemical residue ds). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 2 (members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/JPN/18 4802 00 e.pdf	
6.	Description of content: Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical Veterinary drug: Betamethasone		
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 ther	ere 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 ti	es 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 for the comment period.

Proposed date of publication (*dd/mm/yy*): As soon as possible after the final date for 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
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 9 November 2018. Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and 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:

13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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