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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

Original: English

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)
- 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): Pet food (HS Code 23.09 Preparations of a kind used in animal feeding)
- 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: Amendment to "Ministerial Ordinance on Specifications and Standards of Pet Food" (Ordinance No. 1 of 28 April 2009 of the Ministry of Agriculture, forestry and Fisheries/Ministry of the Environment). Language(s): . Number of pages:
- 6. **Description of content:** MAFF will revise the Maximum level of Arsenic in pet food from "Arsenic 15 μ g/g" to "Inorganic Arsenic (sum of As(II) and As(V)) 2 μ g/g" in "Ministerial Ordinance on Specifications and Standards of Pet Food" (Ordinance No. 1 of 28 April 2009 of the Ministry of Agriculture, forestry and Fisheries/Ministry of the Environment).
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] 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: This amendment is to be publicised in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.

The Current Ministerial ordinance is available from the URL;

Japanese <u>https://elaws.e-</u>

gov.go.jp/search/elawsSearch/elaws_search/lsg0500/detail?lawId=421M60001200001 English

http://www.famic.go.jp/ffis/pet/obj/sub1e_seibunkikaku.pdf

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: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 11 January 2021

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