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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 Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)
<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> Muramidase as a feed additive
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Designation of Muramidase as a feed additive. <b>Language(s):</b> Japanese and English. <b>Number of pages:</b> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/JPN/21_7177_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/JPN/21_7177_00_x.pdf</a> <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/JPN/21_7177_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/JPN/21_7177_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> MAFF will designate Muramidase as a feed additive and establish its standards and specifications by the Ministerial Ordinance in "Public Announcement: the Ministerial Public Announcement Regarding the Designation of Feed Additives (Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Public Announcement No. 750 issued on 24 July 1976)" and "Ministerial Ordinance on the Specifications and Standards of Feeds and Feed Additives "(Ordinance No. 35 of 24 July 1976 of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry).  (Proposed amendment) Muramidase is allowed to be used as a feed additive for broilers only.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<p><b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>	<p>These amendments are to be publicised in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted (available in Japanese).</p> <p>These draft amendments are also notified under the TBT Agreement.</p> <p>The Current Ministerial ordinance is available from the URL <a href="https://elaws.e-gov.go.jp/document?lawid=351M50010000035">https://elaws.e-gov.go.jp/document?lawid=351M50010000035</a> (available in Japanese).</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>	
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>	
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 20 December 2021</p> <p><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></p>	<p>Standards Information Service International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs 2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 100-8919, Japan Tel: +(81 3) 5501 8344 Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p>
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