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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 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): Teeth, tusks
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Planned Revision of the Ministerial Ordinance for Enforcement of the Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control (Addition to Designated Quarantine Items). Language(s): . Number of pages:
6. Description of content: MAFF is proposing to revise Article 45-3 of the Ministerial Ordinance for Enforcement of the Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Diseases Control to add teeth and tusks as designated quarantine items. As a result, the import of the said items will not be permitted without an appropriate health certificate issued by the animal health authority of the exporting country, and importers of the said items, would be required to notify the Animal Quarantine Service without delay.
7. Objective and rationale: <input 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.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Section 5 <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:

9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "The Ministerial Ordinance for Enforcement of the Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Diseases Control" (available in Japanese) https://laws.e-gov.go.jp/law/326M50010000035 - "Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control" (available in English and Japanese) https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/ja/laws/view/4114
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): July 2026 Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): July 2026</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): January 2027 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 27 June 2026</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Japan Enquiry Point International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Japan Enquiry Point International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p>