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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 the Environment
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): <ul style="list-style-type: none">- All species of the genus <i>Lepomis</i> (HS code: 0106. 90)- Hybrid organisms of all species of the genus <i>Lepomis</i> (HS code: 0106. 90)- <i>Maccullochella peelii</i> (HS code: 0106. 90)- <i>Macquaria ambigua</i> (HS code: 0106. 90)- All species of the genus <i>Coreoperca</i> excluding <i>C. kawamebari</i> (HS code: 0106. 90)
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: Amendment to the List of Regulated Living Organisms under the Invasive Alien Species Act. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 2 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/JPN/26_03071_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: To designate all species of the genus <i>Lepomis</i> , Hybrid organisms of all species of the genus <i>Lepomis</i> , <i>Maccullochella peelii</i> , <i>Macquaria ambigua</i> , all species of the genus <i>Coreoperca</i> excluding <i>C. kawamebari</i> as Invasive Alien Species (IAS).
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" 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 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 Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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: The Invasive Alien Species Act (full text of the act) is available in English at https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/3354/tb . The list (Cabinet Order) will be publicized on "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) in Japanese when adopted.
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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 11 August 2026 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Japan Enquiry Point International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp
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