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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 Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW)
<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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Meat and edible meat offal (HS Codes: 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06, 02.07, 02.08 and 02.09)</li><li>- Dairy produce and birds' eggs (HS Codes: 04.01, 04.07 and 04.08)</li><li>- Products of animal origin (HS Code: 05.04)</li><li>- Animal or vegetable fats and oils (HS Codes: 15.01, 15.02 and 15.06)</li></ul>
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Revision of the Standards and Specifications for Foods and Food Additives under the Food Sanitation Act (Revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1 <a href="http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/JPN/17_1088_00_e.pdf">http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/JPN/17_1088_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical: Veterinary drug: Melengestrol Acetate.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> Veterinary Drug Residues in Food - Melengestrol acetate <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

<b>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Food Sanitation Act (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).
<b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.
<b>11. Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period of grace. <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
<b>12. Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 28 April 2017. Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles in attached annexes). <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <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:
<b>13. Text(s) available from:</b> <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