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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>- Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS Codes: 07.01, 07.02, 07.03, 07.04, 07.05, 07.07, 07.08, 07.09, 07.10, 07.13 and 07.14)</li><li>- Edible fruits and nuts, peel of citrus/melons (HS Codes: 08.05, 08.06, 08.07, 08.10, 08.11 and 08.14)</li><li>- Coffee, tea, mate and spices (HS Codes: 09.03, 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10)</li><li>- Oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruits (HS Codes: 12.01 and 12.10)</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> 3 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/JPN/17_5086_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/JPN/17_5086_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical: Pesticide: Mandipropamid.
<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> Pesticide Residues in Food and feed – Pesticide Index – 231 - Mandipropamid <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>

<p><b>[X] Yes [ ] No</b></p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> The current MRLs of 10 ppm in dried pepper and 5 ppm in raisin will be deleted because the MRL of 25 ppm in other solanaceous vegetables and 3 ppm in raw grapes have been set on the basis of the submitted data. MRLs in raw agricultural commodities apply to their processed commodities (including dried pepper and raisin) taking into account the processing factors (the JMPR estimated the processing factors of 7 for dried pepper and 3.91 for raisin). Therefore, the deletion of MRLs in dried pepper and raisin will not strengthen the current regulation, and all the proposed MRLs conform to the Codex MRLs.</p>
<p><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).</p>
<p><b>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.</p>
<p><b>11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period of grace.</p> <p><b>[ ] Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy):</b> 15 January 2018. Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and white circles in attached annexes).</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><b>13. Text(s) available from: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></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>