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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: JAPAN
 - 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): Composite feeds for food producing animals and their ingredients
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: [X]
 - All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Amendment of the ordinance for enforcement of the Act safety assurance and quality improvement of feeds. Language(s): . Number of pages:
- 6. Description of content: The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan (MAFF) will add horse to the scope of the Act on Safety Assurance and Quality Improvement of Feeds to contribute to public safety and stable production of horses by ensuring safety and improving of feeds. Through this amendment of the ordinance for enforcement of the Act, the following contents of the act will be applicable to the feeds for horses:
 - Set standards and specifications for manufacturing and labelling for feeds for horses 1. (those details will be notified in 2020);
 - 2. Prohibit manufacturing, importing, selling and using horse feeds that are not meeting the standard and specifications or containing harmful substances;
 - 3. When harmful feeds for horses are distributed, MAFF may order the manufacturer or importer to dispose or recall them:
 - 4. Manufacturers and importers of feeds for horses are obliged to notify MAFF of their business:
 - Manufacturers, importers and dealers of feeds for horses are obliged to keep records concerning manufacturing, importing and selling of feed for horses in their books.

Note: Scope of horse on the Act is planned to be "horse intended for human consumption". It will be specified in 2020.

7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [X] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.

- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (*e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number*):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes []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:** These amendments are to be published in "Kampo" when adopted (available in Japanese).
- **10. Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** To be determined.

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): November 2019

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 1 December 2020
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 1 November 2019

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