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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: 07.02, 07.03, 07.04, 07.05, 07.06, 07.07, 07.09 and 07.10)</li><li>- Edible fruit (HS code: 08.07)</li><li>- Spices (HS code: 09.10)</li><li>- Cereals (HS code: 10.06)</li><li>- Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit (HS code: 12.12)</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> Available in English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 1 page. <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/JPN/20_2274_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/JPN/20_2274_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Proposed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical Pesticide: Picarbutrazox
<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 type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b>

<p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>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>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>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>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>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.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 30 May 2020 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:</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:</p> <p>Japan Enquiry Point  International Trade Division  Economic Affairs Bureau  Ministry of Foreign Affairs  Fax: +(813) 5501 8343  E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp">enquiry@mofa.go.jp</a></p>
<b>13.</b>	<p><b>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:</p> <p>Japan Enquiry Point  International Trade Division  Economic Affairs Bureau  Ministry of Foreign Affairs  Fax: +(813) 5501 8343  E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp">enquiry@mofa.go.jp</a></p>