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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> Food
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Countries, regions or facilities specified by the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare pursuant to Item 1 of Article 11 of the Food Sanitation Act. <b>Language(s):</b> Available in English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 2 pages. <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/JPN/20_3279_00_e.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/JPN/20_3279_00_e.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The amended Food Sanitation Act requires implementation of hygiene control based on HACCP for imported meat and poultry meat, and the food shall not be imported for sale, unless the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare recognizes that they are manufactured or processed in a country or region, or at a facility which takes HACCP based control measures. Japan announces the countries, regions or facilities designated by the Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare pursuant to the provision Item 1 of Article 11 of the amended Act.
<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> CAC/RCP 1-1969 <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"/> None <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>

9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> When adopted, This amendment will be published in <i>Kampo</i> , the official Japanese Governmental Gazette (Available in Japanese).
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 13 June 2018 <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 13 June 2018
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 June 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): Not applicable <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:  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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