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**Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures** 

## NOTIFICATION

- Notifying Member: JAPAN
   If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** Ministry of the Environment
- 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): Mauremys sinensis, M. sinensis × M. japonica, M. sinensis × M. mutica, M. sinensis × M. reevesii, Japalura swinhonis, Bufo melanostictus, Eleutherodactylus johnstonei, E. planirostris, Kaloula pulchra, Acheilognathus macropterus, Ameiurus nebulosus, Pylodictis olivaris, Tachysurus fulvidraco, Silurus glanis, any member of the family Esocidae, any living hybrid organisms of species of the family Esocidae, Gambusia holbrooki, Lates niloticus, Morone Americana, Gymnocephalus cernuus, Neogobius melanostomus, Mikania micrantha, Ammophila arenaria, Drosera intermedia and Utricularia inflata
- 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 to the List of Regulated Living Organisms under the Invasive Alien Species Act Language(s): English Number of pages: 3
  http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2016/SPS/JPN/16\_1558\_00\_e.pdf
- 6. Description of content: To designate Mauremys sinensis, M. sinensis x M. japonica, M. sinensis x M. mutica, M. sinensis x M. reevesii, Japalura swinhonis, Bufo melanostictus, Eleutherodactylus johnstonei, E. planirostris, Kaloula pulchra, Acheilognathus macropterus, Ameiurus nebulosus, Pylodictis olivaris, Tachysurus fulvidraco, Silurus glanis, any member of the family Esocidae, any living hybrid organisms of species of the family Esocidae, Gambusia holbrooki, Lates niloticus, Morone Americana, Gymnocephalus cernuus, Neogobius melanostomus, Mikania micrantha, Ammophila arenaria, Drosera intermedia and Utricularia inflata as Invasive Alien Species (IAS).
- 7. Objective and rationale: [] food safety, [X] animal health, [X] 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)



Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

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: The Invasive Alien Species Act (full text of the act is available in English at http://www.env.go.jp/en/nature/as/040427.pdf). The list (Cabinet Order) will be publicised on "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted (available in Japanese).
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.

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- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 September 2016
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 June 2016

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