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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>JAPAN</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)
3.	<b>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>  Milk products categorized in the following HS codes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Milk and cream (HS Codes: 04.01 and 04.02)</li><li>– Buttermilk, curdled milk and cream, yogurt, kephir and other fermented or acidified milk and cream (HS Code: 04.03)</li><li>– Whey (HS Code: 04.04)</li><li>– Butter and other fats and oils derived from milk, and dairy spreads (HS Code: 04.05)</li><li>– Cheese and curd (HS Code: 04.06)</li></ul> Milk products categorized in the following HS codes which contain ingredients derived from milk: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Lactose and lactose syrup (HS Codes: 1702.11 and 1702.19)</li><li>– Dog or cat food and animal feed (HS Codes: 2309.10 and 2309.90)</li><li>– Casein, caseinates and other casein derivatives (HS Codes: 3501.10 and 3501.90)</li><li>– Milk albumin and other milk albumin derivatives (HS Codes: 3502.20 and 3502.90)</li></ul>
4.	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <b>[X] All trading partners</b> <b>[ ] Specific regions or countries:</b>
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Draft revision of the Ministerial Ordinance for Enforcement of the Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control <b>Language(s):</b> <b>Number of pages:</b>
6.	<b>Description of content:</b> MAFF is proposing revision of the Article 45 of the Ministerial Ordinance for Enforcement of the Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control to add milk products (for details see item 3 above) to the list of items subject to animal quarantine. Once an item is subject to animal quarantine, the import of the said item will not be permitted without an appropriate health certificate issued by the animal health authority of the exporting country. Milk products imported/exported as personal effects are exempted from animal quarantine.  Animal Health Requirements are in preparation to set out detailed import conditions for milk products including required statements in the health certificate based on the import risk analysis and Chapters 8.8.24, 8.8.25, 8.8.35 and 8.8.36 of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code (the OIE code).  MAFF will duly notify WTO Members once draft Animal Health Requirements have been developed.

7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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.
8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>) Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Chapters 8.8.24, 8.8.25, 8.8.35 and 8.8.36</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<p>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <p>Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control (No. 166, 1951), in English available at <a href="http://www.maff.go.jp/e/japan_food/ap_health/pdf/act.pdf">http://www.maff.go.jp/e/japan_food/ap_health/pdf/act.pdf</a> and Ministerial Ordinance for Enforcement of the Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control (No. 35, 1951), in English available at <a href="http://www.maff.go.jp/e/japan_food/fsafe_aphealth/pdf/ministerial_ordinance.pdf">http://www.maff.go.jp/e/japan_food/fsafe_aphealth/pdf/ministerial_ordinance.pdf</a>.</p> <p>The revision is to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): October 2016</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): October 2016</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): 1 November 2017</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (<i>dd/mm/yy</i>): 3 October 2016</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <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>
13.	<p>Text(s) available from: <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: +(81 3) 5501 8343 E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp">enquiry@mofa.go.jp</a></p>