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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

Revision

1. Notifying Member: JAPAN If applicable, name of local government involved: 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) 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): Meat and edible meat offal (HS codes: 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06, . 02.07, 02.08 and 02.09) Dairy produce and birds' eggs (HS codes: 04.01, 04.07 and 04.08) Animal originated products (HS code: 05.04) Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS codes: 07.01, 07.02, 07.03, 07.04, 07.05, 07.06, 07.07, 07.08, 07.09, 07.10, 07.13 and 07.14) Edible fruit and nuts, peel of citrus fruit (HS codes: 08.01, 08.02, 08.03, 08.04, 08.05, 08.06, 08.07, 08.08, 08.09, 08.10, 08.11 and 08.14) Coffee, tea, mate and spices (HS codes: 09.01, 09.02, 09.03, 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10) Cereals (HS codes: 10.01, 10.03, 10.05, 10.06 and 10.08) Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit (HS codes: 12.01, 12.02, 12.05, 12.06, 12.07, 12.10 and 12.12) Animal or vegetable fats and oils (HS codes: 15.01, 15.02, 15.06, 15.12 and 15.14) 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: All trading partners [X] [] Specific regions or countries: 5. Title of the notified document: Revision of the Specifications and Standards for Foods, Food Additives, Etc. under the Food Sanitation Act (Revision of agricultural chemical residue standards). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 5 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/JPN/23 8940 00 e.pdf 6. Description of content: Proposal of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical: Pesticide: Glufosinate. Japan has received some comments on the notification G/SPS/N/JPN/1099 circulated on 7 September 2022. In addition, there was a new application for some commodities. The MHLW has decided to revise the draft maximum residue limits (MRLs) for Glufosinate based on the provided data and the new application.

7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] 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 [X] standard or related text): Pesticide Residues in Food and feed – Pesticide Index – 175 – Glufosinate Ammonium World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic [] Animal Health Code, chapter number): International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): [] [] None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? [X] 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: Food Sanitation Act (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese). 10. **Proposed date of adoption (***dd/mm/yy***):** As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period. Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period. 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): These proposed standards will take effect after a certain period of grace. Trade facilitating measure [] 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 12 June 2023. Comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and/or white circles in attached annexes). Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: 13. Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] 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

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