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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> 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): <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Meat and edible meat offal (HS code(s): 02.01, 02.02, 02.03, 02.04, 02.05, 02.06, 02.07, 02.08 and 02.09)- Dairy produce and birds' eggs natural honey (HS code(s): 04.01, 04.07 and 04.08)- Animal originated products (HS code(s): 05.04)- Edible vegetables and certain roots and tubers (HS code(s): 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 code(s): 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 code(s): 09.01, 09.02, 09.03, 09.04, 09.05, 09.06, 09.07, 09.08, 09.09 and 09.10)- Cereals (HS code(s): 10.01, 10.02, 10.03, 10.04, 10.05, 10.06, 10.07 and 10.08)- Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit (HS code(s): 12.01, 12.02, 12.04, 12.05, 12.06, 12.07, 12.10 and 12.12)- Animal or vegetable fats and oils (HS code(s): 15.01, 15.02, 15.06 and 15.12)- Cocoa and cocoa preparations (HS code(s): 18.01)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> 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): Available in English. Number of pages: 6 pages. https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/JPN/23_12424_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: Proposal of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for the following agricultural chemical pesticide: Paraquat dichloride, Paraquat
7. Objective and rationale: <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.

8.	<p>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Pesticide Residues in Food and feed – Pesticide Index – 57 – Paraquat</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</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: Food Sanitation Act (available in English). When adopted, these MRLs are to be published in Kampo (Official Government Gazette) (available in Japanese).</p>
10.	<p>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period.</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): As soon as possible after the final date of the comment period.</p>
11.	<p>Proposed date of entry into force: <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>
12.	<p>Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 17 November 2023 - comments only to updated MRLs (marked with black circles and/or white circles in attached annexes)</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, [X] 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, [X] 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: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p>