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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

## Original: English

## 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): Milk and milk products (HS: 04.01, 04.02, 1901.10)
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [] Specific regions or countries:
- Title of the notified document: Revision of the Ministerial Order on Milk and Milk Products Concerning Compositional Standards, Etc.. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 2

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- 6. Description of content: Establishment of the standards and criteria for cow's milk, etc. that are not required to be stored at 10°C or below
- 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 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):
  - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]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, the standards and criteria 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 for the comment period.

**Proposed date of publication (***dd/mm/yy***):** As soon as possible after the final date for the comment period.

- **11.** Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*: As soon as possible after publication.
  - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 29 January 2024

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:

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