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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI)

Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], 3.2 [], 7.2 [], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Consumer products, (including baby beds (limited to those designed to be used for the sleeping or caring of babies up to 24 months from their birth mainly at home; excluding beds that swing) and toys intended for use by babies under 36 months old)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Revision to the Order for Enforcement of the Consumer Product Safety Act, the Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Concerning the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry.; (1 page(s), in English)
- **Description of content:** "Baby beds intended for used by babies up to 24 months old " and "Toys intended for use by babies under 36 months old" will be specified to "Specified products for children" by revising the Order for Enforcement of the Consumer Product Safety Act. To specify the technical requirements for those products, the Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Concerning the Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry will be revised.
- **7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:** Consumer information, labelling; Protection of human health or safety

8. Relevant documents:

Order for Enforcement of the Consumer Product Safety Act , the Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Concerning the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, These revisions will appear in KAMPO (the Official Government Gazette) when adopted.

The current laws and regulations are as follows:

· Order for Enforcement of the Consumer Product Safety Act

https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/4179

• Ministerial Order on Technical Requirements for Specified Products Concerning the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry

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gov.go.jp/document?lawid=349M50000400018 20230619 505M60000400030&keywor d=%E7%89%B9%E5%AE%9A%E8%A3%BD%E5%93%81 (In Japanese)

9. Proposed date of adoption: December 2024

Proposed date of entry into force: December 2025

- **10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from notification
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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