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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| 1. Notifying Member: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) |
| 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 meat products derived from cloven-hoofed animals |
| 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: Hungary and countries, regions or zones approved as free from FMD by Japan https://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/english/news/third-free.html |
| 5. Title of the notified document: Import suspension of meat and offal derived from cloven-hoofed animals (cattle, sheep, goat, deer and Suidae family) from Hungary and import suspension from facilities handling cloven-hoofed animals of Hungary origin. Language(s): . Number of pages: |
| 6. Description of content: In order to prevent the introduction of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) virus into Japan, MAFF has suspended the import of meat and offal derived from cloven-hoofed animals (cattle, sheep, goat, deer and Suidae family) from Hungary, including those shipped through third countries, on 7 March 2025 based on the "Animal health requirements for meat and viscera derived from cloven-hoofed animals (cattle, sheep, goat and deer only), and for sausages, ham and bacon made from the said meat and viscera as raw materials, to be exported to Japan from Hungary", "Animal health requirements for meat and viscera derived from pigs, and for sausages, ham and bacon made from the said meat and viscera as raw materials, to be exported to Japan from Hungary" and the Articles 37 and 44 of the "Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control". Based on the Animal Health Requirements established between Japan and each exporting country, facilities that handle cloven-hoofed animals of Hungary origin, as well as their meat and offal, are not permitted to produce or manufacture products to be exported to Japan, and each exporting country must notify Japan of this export suspension immediately. |
| 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. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action: An outbreak of FMD was confirmed in cattle in Kisbajcs, Győr-Moson-Sopron county, Hungary on 6 March 2025. |

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| <p>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): Chapter 8.8. "Infection with foot and mouth disease virus"</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> |
| <p>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "Animal health requirements for meat and viscera derived from cloven-hoofed animals (cattle, sheep, goat and deer only), and for sausages, ham and bacon made from the said meat and viscera as raw materials, to be exported to Japan from Hungary" https://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/hou/require/attach/pdf/sub2-30.pdf - "Animal health requirements for meat and viscera derived from pigs, and for sausages, ham and bacon made from the said meat and viscera as raw materials, to be exported to Japan from Hungary" https://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/hou/require/pdf/Hungary_pigmeat_AnimalHealthReuirements20210128.pdf <p>(available in English and Japanese)</p> |
| <p>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable): 7 March 2025</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p> |
| <p>12. 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> <p>Japan Enquiry Point International Trade Division Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs Fax: +(8131) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p> |
| <p>13. 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: +(8131) 5501 8343 E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp</p> |