NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** JAPAN**If applicable, name of local government involved:**  |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Agency responsible: The 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):** Live plants and plant parts (including fruit, flower and pollen, other than seed) of the following plants: *Chaenomeles sinensis* (syn. *Pseudocydonia sinensis*); bridal wreath (*Spiraea prunifolia*); medlar (*Mespilus germanica*); loquat (*Eriobotrya japonica*); quince (*Cydonia oblonga*); dog rose (*Rosa canina*); *Aronia; Photinia*; *Crataegomespilus*; *Amelanchier*; *Crataegus*; *Cotoneaster*; *Rhaphiolepis*; *Stranvaesia*; *Osteomeles*; *Dichotomanthes*; *Pyracantha*; *Docynia*; *Pyrus*; *Sorbus*; *Heteromeles*; *Peraphyllum*; *Chaenomeles* (syn. *Choenomeles*); *Malus* |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[****] All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** China |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Emergency measures to mitigate the risk of introducing *Erwinia amylovora*. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:**  |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** To prevent the introduction of *Erwinia amylovora* into Japan, MAFF has taken emergency measures to prohibit the import of host plants of *E. amylovora* (specified in Item 3. of this notification) originated in China based on examination of the relevant documents listed in Item 10. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****] food safety, [****] animal health, [****X] plant protection, [****] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [****] protect territory from other damage from pests.**  |
| **8.** | **Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** MAFF has stipulated *Erwinia amylovora* as an important quarantine pest and prohibited the import of host plants from specific countries where *E. amylovora* is present. To prevent the introduction of *E. amylovora* into Japan, MAFF has decided to ban on importation of its host plants originated in China. This is an urgent action before the enforcement of the revision of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act based on the newly confirmed information on the outbreak and spread of *E. amylovora* in China. |
| **9.** | **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)*:** **[****X] International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** IPPC Article 7, ISPM 1 and ISPM 20**[****] 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:**  |
| **10.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** * 中华人民共和国农业农村部 (2023) 2023年全国农作物重大病虫害发生趋势预报 (online), available from http://www.moa.gov.cn/ztzl/2023cg/jszd\_29356/202302/t20230209\_6420225.htm
* 中华人民共和国农业农村部 (2022) 全国农业植物检疫性有害生物分布行政区名录 (online), available from http://www.moa.gov.cn/zxfile/reader?file=http://www.moa.gov.cn/govpublic/ZZYGLS/202207/P020220707597262683819.doc
* Fei et al. (2023) Draft Genome Sequence Data for *Erwinia amylovora* Strain S618-2-2 Isolated from *Pyrus sinkiangensis* in China (online), available from https://doi.org/10.1094/PHYTOFR-10-22-0122-A
* List of the Import Prohibited Plants (Annexed Table 2 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Plant Protection Act), MAF Ordinance No. 73/1950 (online), available from https://www.maff.go.jp/pps/j/law/houki/shorei/E\_Annexed\_Table2.html
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| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 30 August 2023**[****] Trade facilitating measure**  |
| **12.** | **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:** Standards Information ServiceInternational Trade DivisionEconomic Affairs BureauMinistry of Foreign Affairs2-2-1 Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-kuTokyo 100-8919, JapanTel: +(81 3) 5501 8344Fax: +(81 3) 5501 8343E-mail: enquiry@mofa.go.jp |
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