NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Japan**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):** Live poultry |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:****[ ]** **All trading partners** **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and countries, regions or zones approved as free from HPAI and LPAI by Japan <https://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/english/news/third-free.html>  |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Import suspension of live poultry from United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. **Language(s):** . **Number of pages:**  |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** In order to prevent the introduction of H5N8 Highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) virus and H5N2 Low pathogenic avian influenza (LPAI) into Japan, MAFF has suspended the import of day-old chicks from the entire territory of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, including those shipped through third countries, from 4 November 2020 based on the "Animal Health Requirements for the purpose of the import of day-old birds of poultry to Japan from the United Kingdom [including the application of compartmentalization in the case of NAI outbreak in the United Kingdom (limited to Great Britain)]" and the Article 37 and 44 of the "Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control". |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [****X] animal health, [ ]****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:** On 3 November 2020, an outbreak of H5N8 HPAI was confirmed in a broiler breeder rearing farm in the "Cheshire West and Chester" district, Cheshire county of England, and on 2 November 2020, an outbreak of H5N2 LPAI was confirmed in a small commercial premises in the Dover district, Kent county of England. |
| **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)*:** **[****X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** Chapter 10.4. "Infection with avian influenza viruses".**[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:** **[ ]** **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:** Current "Animal Health Requirements for the purpose of the import of day-old birds of poultry to Japan from the United Kingdom [including the application of compartmentalization in the case of NAI outbreak in the United Kingdom (limited to Great Britain)]"<http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/hou/require/attach/pdf/kakin-16.pdf>(Available in English and Japanese)  |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 4 November 2020 **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure**  |
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