

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>JAPAN</u>
2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], Other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Structural sawn lumber (HS: 44.07)
5. Title: Establishment of the Standard of Structural Sawn Lumber (available in Japanese, 11 pages)
6. Description of content: To establish the standard for soft wood lumber which is used as main structural materials in construction excluding wood frame construction.
7. Objective and rationale: Consumer protection
8. Relevant documents: The basic law is the Law Concerning Standardization and Proper Labelling of Agricultural and Forest Products. The said standards will appear in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: Not yet determined
10. Final date for comments: 31 January 1991
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: