

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADECommittee on Technical Barriers to TradeNOTIFICATION

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

1. Party and Agency:	JAPAN: Evaluation and Registration Division, Pharmaceutical Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Health and Welfare (1-2-2, Kasumigaseki, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan)
2. Provision of the Agreement:	2.6.1
3. Product(s) covered, CCCN Heading (National Tariff Heading where applicable):	Cosmetics (Products falling within CCCN heading 33) Quasi-drugs (" " " 33, 34, 38)
4. Title of project:	Designation of those ingredients in cosmetics and quasi-drugs which must be included in the list of ingredients on the label.
5. Description:	The designation specifies those cosmetics and other ingredients for listing on the label which it is feared may cause allergic reactions or other skin disorders. It also stipulates which active ingredients must be listed on the label for those quasi-drugs such as insecticides and pesticides which are not used in direct contact with the human body. Requiring the label listing of ingredients in cosmetics and other products which it is feared may cause allergic reactions or other skin disorders enables the consumer to avoid these ingredients. Requiring the label listing of the active ingredients for those quasi-drugs such as insecticides and pesticides which are not used in direct contact with the human body serves to prevent mistaken use of such products and to facilitate prompt treatment in the event of inadvertent ingestion. Ingredients of quasi-drugs (67 items) e.g. 2-amino-5-nitrophenol 2-amino-5-nitrophenol and their sulphate salts Allethrin d,d-T-Allethrin Ingredients of cosmetics (98 items) e.g. Benzoic-acid and its salts Ichthammol
6. Objective and rationale:	
7. Relevant document(s):	Pharmaceutical Affairs Law
8. Where published, when adopted:	KAMPO (Official Government Gazette); 26 September 1980.
9. Final date for submission of comments:	
10. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force:	30 September 1980, provided however that a two-year grace period shall be established for items already in inventory or items using material ingredients correctly labelled under the superseded law within one year.