

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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NOTIFICATION

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

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| 1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>JAPAN</u> |
| 2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Labour |
| 3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 <input type="checkbox"/> , 2.6.1 <input type="checkbox"/> , 7.3.2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> , 7.4.1 <input type="checkbox"/> , Other: |
| 4. Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Machines mainly used at factories (such as power driven press, gas masks), various safety devices. |
| 5. Title: Amendment to the Labour Safety and Sanitation Law |
| 6. Description of content: A. Application etc. by foreign manufacturer of inspection or certification. Those who manufacture the designated machine etc., the machine subject to individual certification etc., and the machine subject to type certification etc., abroad will be able to receive inspection or certification. B. Accommodation of type certification system Those who import the machine subject to type certification etc. which has already obtained type certification will not have to obtain type certification again. |
| 7. Objective and rationale: To ensure in terms of legal systems that there be no discrimination between nationals and non-nationals in certification procedures. |
| 8. Relevant documents: Basic document is the Labour Safety and Sanitation Law |
| 9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: Not yet determined |
| 10. Final date for comments: The purpose of this amendment is to proceed further with the opening of the Japanese market by ensuring in terms of legal systems that there be no discrimination between nationals and non-nationals in certification procedures, in the light of the views and requests presented by Japan's trading partners. Given the urgent nature of this legislation, it has been decided by the Cabinet to present the legislation promptly to the current session of the Diet. Such being the case, there will be no comment period for this legislation. |
| 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or address of other body: |