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NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: JAPAN

2. Agency responsible: Consumers Economy Division, Food and Marketing Bureau, 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 (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Structural plywood (CCCN: 44.15)

5. Title: Amendment to Japanese Agricultural Standards concerning structural plywood

6. Description of content:
   (1) To amend the Japanese Agricultural Standards concerning structural plywood for acceptance of plywood with whitepocket which is characteristic defect of soft wood
   (2) To make a provision concerning indication for outdoor use, because the structural plywood used out of doors is required to have certain quality.

7. Objective and rationale: Consumer protection

8. Relevant documents: Basic document is the Law Concerning Standardization and Proper Labelling of Agricultural and Forestry Products. The 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: 12 September 1983

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [x] or address of other body: