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 pigs and pig meat and products thereof |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[ ]** **All trading partners**  **[****X] Specific regions or countries:** Germany, and countries, regions or zones approved as free from rinderpest, FMD, ASF and CSF by Japan <https://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/english/news/third-free.html> |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Import suspension of live pig and pig meat from Germany. **Language(s):** . **Number of pages:** |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** In order to prevent the introduction of African swine fever  (ASF) virus into Japan, MAFF has suspended the import of live pig and pig meat and products thereof from Germany, including those shipped through third countries, on 11 September 2020 based on the "Animal health requirements for meat and viscera derived from pigs, and for sausages, ham and bacon made from the said meat and viscera as raw materials, to be exported to Japan from Germany", "Animal health requirements for heat-processed-meat, -viscera, -sausages, -ham and -bacon derived from pigs to be exported to Japan from Germany", "Animal health requirements for swine to be exported to Japan from Germany" and the Article 37 and 44 of the "Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control". Pig meat and products thereof derived from animals slaughtered on and after 2 August 2020 and live pigs transported from Germany to other countries on and after 2 August 2020 are not eligible to be exported to Japan, taking into consideration the incubation period of the ASF virus stipulated in the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code. |
| **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:** An outbreak of ASF was confirmed in a wild boar presumed dead in the SCHENKENDÖBERN, SPREE-NEISSE, BRANDENBURG, on 17 August 2020. |
| **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 15.1. " Infection with African swine fever virus"  **[ ]** **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 meat and viscera derived from pigs, and for sausages, ham and bacon made from the said meat and viscera as raw materials, to be exported to Japan from Germany"  <http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/hou/require/attach/pdf/sub2-11.pdf> (Available in English and Japanese)  "Animal health requirements for heat-processed-meat, -viscera, -sausages, -ham and -bacon derived from pigs to be exported to Japan from Germany"  <http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/hou/require/pdf/14-1085de.pdf> (Available in English and Japanese)  "Animal health requirements for swine to be exported to Japan from Germany"  <http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/hou/require/pdf/c_i_germany_swine.pdf> (Available in English and Japanese) |
| **11.** | **Date of entry into force (*dd/mm/yy*)/period of application (as applicable):** 11 September 2020  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Japan Enquiry Point  International Trade Division  Economic Affairs Bureau  Ministry of Foreign Affairs  Fax: +(8131) 5501 8343  E-mail: [enquiry@mofa.go.jp](mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp) |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Japan Enquiry Point  International Trade Division  Economic Affairs Bureau  Ministry of Foreign Affairs  Fax: +(8131) 5501 8343  E-mail: [enquiry@mofa.go.jp](mailto:enquiry@mofa.go.jp) |