NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 27 September 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Japan.

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**Title:** Japanese agricultural standards for Organic Processed Foods

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**Description:** Ministry of Finance (MOF) and Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) have revised the JAS for Organic Processed Foods and incorporated new standards for organic alcohol (alcoholic) beverages.

On the other hand, labelling requirements\* of organic alcohol beverages shall come into force in Japan from 1st October 2025. For more details, please refer to G/TBT/N/JPN/732.

\*In cases where "organic" or any other confusingly similar expressions are used in the labelling of the alcohol beverages, Organic JAS seals must be affixed to the relevant products, packages, containers or invoices by the organic JAS certified operators.

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1. This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)