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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: JAPAN If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Neon transformers (HS: 85.0431)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Amendments of the "Ordinance Concerning Technical Requirements for Electrical Appliances and Materials (Ministerial Ordinance No. 85, 1962)" and the Technical Requirements recognized by the Minister of Economic, Trade and Industry in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of the Ordinance.
6.	Description of content: (1) To amend the relevant provision of Section 1 of the Ordinance Concerning Technical Requirements for Electrical Appliances and Materials in order to accept the new structures, being based on IEC standards and others relevant. (2) To amend the Technical Requirements in accordance with Section 2 of the Ordinance Concerning Technical Requirements for Electrical Appliances and Materials in order to adopt international standards (IEC Standards) as follows: 1. In general, IEC Standards are adopted. 2. However, when there are some unavoidable reasons such as fundamental climatic or other geographical factors and technical problems, international standards will be modified.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: There is further necessity to make the existing technical requirements on electrical appliances and materials conform with IEC Standards.
8.	Relevant documents: The Electrical Appliance and Material Safety Law
9.	Proposed date of adoption: March 2003 Proposed date of entry into force: October 2003

10. Final date for comments: 7 March 2003

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

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