

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>JAPAN</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Fishery and Forestry Agency or authority designed 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): Pumpkin and Squash (HS:0709.10)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Establishment of Quality Labelling Standards for Pumpkin and Squash (1 page, in Japanese)
6.	Description of content: To establish quality labelling standards for pumpkins and squashes in order to facilitate consumers' selection, due to the fact that pumpkins and squashes with various qualities are supplied because their production places have become diversified.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of consumers' interests
8.	Relevant documents: The basic law is the Law Concerning Standardization and Proper Labelling of Agricultural and Forest Products. These Standards will be made public in "KAMPO" (Official Government Gazette) when adopted.
9.	Proposed date of adoption: } Proposed date of entry into force: } Not yet determined
10.	Final date for comments: 20 February 1998
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of other body: