Director of each Quarantine Station

Director of the Office of Import Food Safety,

Food Inspection and Safety Division,

Pharmaceutical Safety and Environmental Health Bureau

Implementation of Inspection Orders based on Section 3, Article 26 of the Food Sanitation Act

Inspection orders for FY 2023 shall be implemented as follows. We ask for your understanding and to inform the business concerned accordingly.

1. Implementation period

April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024

2. Targets and details of inspection orders

Regarding foods meeting the conditions of countries and regions as well as product inspections specified in Appendix 1, importers shall be ordered to conduct product inspections by a laboratory registered with the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, each time they import, in accordance with the provisions in Appendix 1.

The some conditions specified in Appendix 1 are separately indicated: foods subject to inspection orders are listed in Appendix 2-1, foods exempt from inspection orders are listed in 2-2, and forms of certificates are shown in Appendix 3, respectively.

3. Other

When it is deemed necessary to order inspections by examination of import notifications of foods other than listed in Appendix 1 of this notice, consult the Office of Imported Food Safety, via the Quarantine Affairs Division.