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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

## NOTIFICATION

| 1. | Notifying Member: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u>   |
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|    | f applicable, name of local government involved:   |
| 2. | Agency responsible: The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety   |
| 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): Livestock products   |
| 4. | Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:   |
|    | [X] All trading partners   |
|    | ] Specific regions or countries:   |
| 5. | Fitle of the notified document: Proposed Draft Amendments to the Standards and Specifications for Livestock Products Language(s): Korean Number of pages: 41   |
|    | http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2015/SPS/KOR/15_4150_00_x.pdf  |
| 6. | Description of content: The proposed amendments seek to:   |
|    | <ol> <li>Revise the definition of natural cheese and the specifications to include whey cheese;</li> <li>Revise the processing standards for Infant formula and follow-on formula to be able to add gas mixture of nitrogen and carbon dioxide;</li> <li>Establish and revise the nutrients analysis methods for Infant formula and follow-on formula:         <ul> <li>a) Establish analysis method for selenium;</li> <li>b) Revise analysis methods for niacin and Vit B12 and scorched particle;</li> </ul> </li> <li>Revise analysis method for the phosphatase in milk.</li> </ol> |
| 7. | Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection,<br>[] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from<br>other damage from pests.   |
| 8. | s 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)   |
|    | [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic<br>Animal Health Code, chapter number)  |
|    | [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number)  |
|    | [X] None   |
|    | Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?  |
|    | ]Yes []No  |

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|     | If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:   |
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| 9.  | <b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b><br>The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2015-, October 2015 (available in Korean)   |
| 10. | Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.  |
|     | Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.   |
| 11. | Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or ( <i>dd/mm/yy</i> ): To be determined.   |
|     | [] Trade facilitating measure  |
| 12. | Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 18 December 2015   |
|     | Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification<br>Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address<br>(if available) of other body:  |
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| 13. | Text(s) available from: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:   |
|     | Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at <u>http://www.mfds.go.kr</u> . Also available from:   |
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