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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2. Agency responsible: 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): Testing laboratories (foods, livestock products, pharmaceutical drugs, traditional Korean medicine, medical devices, cosmetics)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: ☒ All trading partners ☐ Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Proposed amendment to the Regulation of Food and Drugs Testing Laboratories Assessment. Language(s): Korean. Number of pages: 8 http://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2017/SPS/KOR/17_1940_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: For a foreign testing laboratory that meets the designation requirements of its own government, it may be evaluated on modified criteria outlined in laboratory quality assurance scheme evaluation sheet.
7. Objective and rationale: ☒ food safety, ☐ animal health, ☐ plant protection, ☐ protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, ☐ protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is 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 Animal Health Code, chapter number): ☐ International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): ☒ None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? ☐ Yes ☐ No If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:
9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: Ministry of Food Drug Safety Notification No. 2017-162 (12 April 2017)

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