



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): Food products
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Proposed Amendments to the Standards and Specifications for Foods. Language(s): Korean. Number of pages: 9 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/KOR/18_3350_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: The proposed amendment seeks to: 1. Establish Manufacturing and Processing Standards for lunch boxes. Specific requirements for disinfection of fruits and vegetables, cooling process before packaging and thawing of frozen fishery products. 2. Add six aquatic species in the "Ingredients Approved for Use in Food" list. Northern propeller clam (<i>Cyrtodaria siliqua</i>), Goldstripe sardinella (<i>Sardinella gibbosa</i>), Patagonian scallop (<i>Zygochlamys patagonia</i>), Patagonian squid (<i>Loligo gahi</i>), Peruvian calico scallop (<i>Argopecten purpuratus</i>) and Scarlet shrimp (<i>Aristaeopsis edwardsiana/Plesiopenaeus edwardsianus</i>).
7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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 and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2018-274, 28 June 2018 (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 (dd/mm/yy): 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): 31 August 2018 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Ministry of Food and Drug safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu Cheongju-si, Chungcheongbuk-do 363-700, Korea Tel: +(82 43) 719 1564 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550
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: http://www.mfds.go.kr Also available from: International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu Cheongju-si, Chungcheongbuk-do Tel: +(82 43) 719 1564 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550 E-mail: wtokfda@korea.kr