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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1.	Notifying Member: REPUBLIC OF KOREA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS)
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): Foods
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[] Specific regions or countries:
5.	Title of the notified document: The amendment of Enforcement Rule of the Special Act on Imported Food Safety Control. Language(s): Korean. Number of pages: 15
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/KOR/18_4212_00_x.pdf
6.	Description of content: The Republic of Korea is proposing to amend the "Enforcement Rule of the Special Act on Imported Food Safety Control". The amendment includes the following:
	 The information of imported food, etc. that the result of inspection is appropriate is available on the website of MFDS; The documents required for a declarer of imported food, etc. to ensure the safety of products in the process of customs clearance are simplified and the legal basis is clarified; The facility standard for the business of online purchasing of imported food, etc. by proxy is mitigated so that it can conduct business without independent office.
7.	Objective and rationale: [X] 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):
	[X] 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:
 The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2018-329 (3 August 2018)
 (available in Korean).
- 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): 5 October 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:

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:

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