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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 Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA)
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): Straw and forage for animal feed (HS codes: Forage: 1214901000; Native grass, Soiling crop, Others: 1214909090; Leaf: 1404903010; Rice straw, Barley straw, Other straw: 1213000000; Corn cob: 2308009000; Alfalfa bale: 1214909010; Pellet, Cube, Ground forage: 1214100000; Others: 2308009000; Formula feed: 2309901040)
4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners ASF affected countries <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
5. Title of the notified document: Import Health Requirements for Straw and Forage. Language(s): Korean, English. Number of pages: 5 and 7 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/KOR/19_6243_00_x.pdf https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/KOR/19_6243_00_e.pdf
6. Description of content: MAFRA has proposed to revise the "Import Health requirements (IHRs) for Straw and Forage" for the concern that African swine fever (ASF) could spread to pigs through straw and forage originating from the ASF infected countries. The concerned products will require to be heat-processed to reach internal temperature of at least 80 °C for a minimum of 10 minutes at approved establishments and the conditions in the implementing IHRs will need to be met. These conditions are designed to mitigate the risk of contamination of these products with the African swine fever virus.
7. Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" 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: The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Notice No. 2019-400, 10 October 2019 (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: <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 1 January 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 January 2020 Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs/MAFRA 94 Dasom2-ro, Government Complex-Sejong, Sejong-si 339-012, Republic of Korea Tel: +(82 44) 201 2080/2081 Fax: +(82 44) 868 0449 E-mail: wtoagri@korea.kr
13.	Text(s) available from: <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body: Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs/MAFRA 94 Dasom2-ro, Government Complex-Sejong, Sejong-si 339-012, Republic of Korea Tel: +(82 44) 201 2080/2081 Fax: +(82 44) 868 0449 E-mail: wtoagri@korea.kr