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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Food and Drug Safety
<b>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):</b> Food utensils, containers and packages
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed amendments to the Standards and Specifications for Food Utensils, Containers and Packages. <b>Language(s):</b> Korean. <b>Number of pages:</b> 20 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/KOR/20_1621_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/KOR/20_1621_00_x.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Republic of Korea is proposing to amend the "Standards and Specifications for Food Utensils, Containers and Packages". <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The common manufacturing standards are revised.</li><li>2. The standards for using of recycled synthetic resins are revised.</li><li>3. The common specifications, the usage specifications and the suitability determination of standard and specifications are revised.</li><li>4. The test methods are revised.</li></ol>
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <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.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <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 <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

9.	<p><b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p> <p>The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2020-97, 28 February 2020 (available in Korean)</p>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> To be determined.</p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 3 May 2020</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <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:</p> <p>International Cooperation Office  Ministry of Food and Drug Safety  #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup,  Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si  Chungcheongbuk-do, 28159, Korea  Tel: +(82 43) 719 1554  Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550  E-mail: intmfs@korea.kr</p>
13.	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <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:</p> <p>Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at <a href="http://www.mfds.go.kr">http://www.mfds.go.kr</a>.</p> <p>Also available from:  International Cooperation Office  Ministry of Food and Drug Safety  #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup,  Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si  Chungcheongbuk-do, 28159, Korea  Tel: +(82 43) 719 1554  Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550  E-mail: intmfs@korea.kr</p>