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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): Foods
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 Enactment to the 'Regulation on the Declaration and Inspection of Imported Foods, etc.'. Language(s): Korean. Number of pages: 77 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/KOR/23_13112_00_x.pdf
6. Description of content: The proposed amendments seek to: A. Prepare a consistent regulation by integrating the regulations enacted by product type, such as the 'Regulation on the Inspection of Imported Foods, etc.', the 'Regulation on the Inspection of Imported Health Functional Foods', the 'Regulation on the Declaration and Inspection of Imported Livestock Products', and the 'Regulation on the Inspection for Imported Fishery Products'. B. Better the understanding of consumers and industries by preparing a reasonable and effective integrated imported food inspection regulation by integrating the composition system (title·details of provisions, etc.) into one, unifying the overall customs inspection regulations for imported health functional foods, imported livestock products, imported fishery products, and imported foods, etc., whilst clarifying the inspection system by applying the unique characteristics of each product type, and organizing repetitive laws and regulations, etc. Major Details - Integration of the regulations enacted by product type for import declaration and inspection. a) Necessity to provide consistent standards through integration of regulations on import declaration and inspection, of which are currently distinguished by imported foods, etc., health functional foods, livestock products, fishery products. b) Provide convenience to the consumers and administrative efficiency by preparing an integrated regulation on the import declaration and inspection of imported foods, etc., health functional foods, livestock products, fishery products.
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.

<p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
<p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p>
<p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): Expected for adoption in December 2023 (to be determined).</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): To be determined.</p>
<p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <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>
<p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 24 December 2023 - expected for adoption in December 2023 (to be determined).</p> <p>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:</p> <p>International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si Chungcheongbuk-do, 28159, Republic of Korea Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550 E-mail: intmfs@korea.kr</p>
<p>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:</p> <p>International Cooperation Office Ministry of Food and Drug Safety #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si Chungcheongbuk-do, 28159, Republic of Korea Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569 Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550 E-mail: intmfs@korea.kr</p>