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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Health and Welfare
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, food additives, apparatus, packaging and containers for food
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Any trading partners
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Proposed Draft Amendment of the Food Sanitation Act (available in Korean, 10 pages)
6.	Description of content: <ul style="list-style-type: none">– The clarification of the criteria for dangerous and harmful food that shall not be sold.– In cases where food produced in any region or country is recognized to injure the health of the human body, the Commissioner of the Korea Food and Drug Administration may provisionally adopt measures prohibiting food from being sold or collected, manufactured, imported, processed, used, prepared, stored, transported or displayed for the purpose of sale on the basis of available pertinent information.– Private firms shall recall the food when manufacturing, processing, or import conditions that do not follow the provisions of this Act.– The authorities, who initiate the administrative actions against private firms which do not observe the provisions of this Act, shall publish the details of the administrative actions and business information such as the name of product(s) related to the administrative actions.
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.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: MOHW Public Notification 2004-166, 8 September 2004 (available in Korean).

10.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined
12.	<p>Final date for comments: 60 days after the date of notification</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Trade Affairs Division Ministry of Health and Welfare 1 Jungang-Dong Kwacheon-City Kyoungi-Do 427-760 Republic of Korea</p> <p>Tel: +82-2-2110-6458 Fax: +82-2-504-3981 E-mail: bhang@mohw.go.kr</p>
13.	<p>Texts available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>Trade Affairs Division Ministry of Health and Welfare 1 Jungang-Dong Kwacheon-City Kyoungi-Do 427-760 Republic of Korea</p> <p>Tel: +82-2-2110-6458 Fax: +82-2-504-3981 E-mail: bhang@mohw.go.kr</p>