

**Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

**NOTIFICATION**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

<b>1.</b>	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [ ], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Agricultural products gained from environmental friendly agriculture, including organically produced agricultural products
<b>5.</b>	<b>Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Proposed Draft of Amendment to the Sustainable Agriculture Promotion Act (8 pages, available in Korean)
<b>6.</b>	<b>Description of content:</b> Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry would revise the Sustainable Agriculture Promotion Act as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- to change current label declaration system for environmentally friendly agricultural products into label certification system to be certified by relevant certification body.</li><li>- to specify provisions relating to label certification system, including designation and cancellations of certification body, inspection for authentication, issue of certificate etc.</li><li>- to modify penalty provisions on irregularities and/or infringements.</li></ul>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> To ensure consumer's confidence on agricultural products produced from environmentally friendly agriculture.
<b>8.</b>	<b>Relevant documents:</b> MAF Notification No. 2000-71 (14 July 2000)
<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined. <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 1 July 2001
<b>10.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 25 September 2000

**11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, e-mail and telefax number of the other body:**

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