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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

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

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Fair Trade Commission Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Advertising of agricultural products and foods including GMO (genetically modified organism)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Notification of Critical Information in Labelling and Advertising (2 pages, in Korean)
6.	Description of content: Enterprises that produce or sell agricultural products and food which is included GMO shall disclose the fact that it includes GMO in posting advertisements of GMO inclusion products. - The object for making the disclosure of GMO inclusion fact in agricultural products are corn, soybean, soybean sprouts and potato designated by the Act on Agricultural Product Quality Management. - The GMO foods are 27 products containing one of those four Agricultural Products as a primary component, which is designated by Food Sanitation Act.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Since facts on GMO inclusion are critical information that may affect the consumer's purchasing choice, it is necessary to disclose GMO-related information, thereby protecting consumers from fraudulence.
8.	Relevant documents: Fair Trade Commission notification 2002-3, Official Gazette (2002.3.5)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 5 March 2002 Proposed date of entry into force: 1 July 2002
10.	Final date for comments: -

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:

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