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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

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Food and Drug Safety <b>Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:</b>  Documents are available from the Ministry Food and Drug safety website ( <a href="http://www.mfds.go.kr">www.mfds.go.kr</a> ). Also available from: 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) 43 719-1564 Fax: (+82) 43-719-1550 Email: <a href="mailto:wtokfda@korea.kr">wtokfda@korea.kr</a>
<b>3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], other:</b>
<b>4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Quasi-drugs
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Proposed amendments to the "Designation of Scope of Quasi-Drugs" (4 page(s), in Korean)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS) of the Republic of Korea has amended the "Designated Scope of Quasi-Drugs" as stated below: - Maternity pads used to soak up postpartum bleeding and lochia (postpartum vaginal discharge) have been designated as quasi-drugs in Korea.
<b>7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> The amendments aim to ensure consumer safety pre-emptively by designating products for postpartum bleeding and lochia as quasi-drugs in Korea.
<b>8. Relevant documents:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>MFDS NOTIFICATION No. 2019-334 (8 July 2019)</li></ul>
<b>9. Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> 1 October 2021

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**10. Final date for comments:** 60 days from the date of notification

**11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:**

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