NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Republic of Korea  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** The 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:**  **[****X]** **All trading partners**  **[ ]****Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Proposed revision of the "Special Act on Imported Food Safety Control".**Language(s):** Korean. **Number of pages:** 4  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/SPS/KOR/21_5021_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** As methods of remote inspection, followings are determined; remote communication which enables a real-time interaction between the parties, and the submission of necessary materials for inspection via the internet.  One or both of these methods can be used considering the target and purpose of inspection and the condition of ICT in the exporting country. The Minister of Food and Drug Safety may determine and publish matters deemed necessary for remote inspection other than those prescribed in the enforcement rule. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[ ]****Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**  **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[****X]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[ ]****Yes [ ]****No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be determined.  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 1 October 2021 International Cooperation Office  Ministry of Food and Drug Safety  #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup,  Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si  Chungcheongbuk-do, 363-700, Korea  Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569  Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550  E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:** |
| **13.** | **Text(s) available from: [ ]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Documents are available from the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety website at <http://www.mfds.go.kr>.  Also available from:  International Cooperation Office  Ministry of Food and Drug Safety  #187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup,  Heungdoek-gu, Cheongju-si  Chungcheongbuk-do, 363-700, Korea  Tel: +(82 43) 719 1569  Fax: +(82 43) 719 1550  E-mail: intmfds@korea.kr |