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INTRODUCTION TO THE KOREA SPS SUPPORT WEBSITE

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The following communication, received on 1 October 2015, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the Republic of Korea.

1. The Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs (hereinafter referred to as "MAFRA") of the Republic of Korea has developed a website in order to enhance the application of the transparency obligations of the SPS Agreement. It was first introduced in 2013 for the purpose of providing statistical data on the WTO SPS notifications to people who are in charge of SPS matters in MAFRA.

2. Additionally, the Korea SPS support website features an e-mail service for sending selected SPS notifications to users, the response record control service to help users respond to import notifications, and the preliminary notice service that alerts users to make comments in time for 2014-2015.

3. MAFRA is planning to open the Korea SPS support website to the public in Korean and English and to gather opinions from experts in related industries, academia and research institutes using an automatic e-mail service in 2016.

4. The website address is <http://www.koreasps.kr>.
