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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

1.	Notifying Member: REPUBLIC OF KOREA
	If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: 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): Food products
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
	[X] All trading partners
	[ ] Specific regions or countries:
5.	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed Amendment to the Standards and Specifications for Foods. <b>Language(s):</b> Korean. <b>Number of pages:</b> 17
	https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/KOR/18 1965 00 x.pdf
6.	Description of content: The proposed amendment seeks to:
	<ol> <li>Revise the specifications for hygiene indicator bacteria and foodborne pathogens;</li> <li>Revise and newly establish the specifications for mycotoxins;</li> <li>Establish total acid content standard and manufacturing/processing standards for 'Candies'; and</li> <li>Revise the maximum residual limits for eggs.</li> </ol>
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: Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2018-140, 4 April 2018 (available in Korean)
- **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): 11 June 2018

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:

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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 <a href="http://www.mfds.go.kr">http://www.mfds.go.kr</a>. Also available from:

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