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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> International Cooperation Office, Ministry of Food and Drug Safety 187 Osongsaengmyeong2-ro, Osong-eup Heungdeok-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 [ ], 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> Health functional food products
<b>5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:</b> Proposed Amendments for "Regulations for Re-assessment of Functional Ingredients"(13 pages, available in Korean)
<b>6. Description of content:</b> Main proposed amendment of the "Regulations for Re-assessment of Functional Ingredients" as follows:  This regulation is pursuant to Article 15(2) of the "Functional Health Foods Act" and Article 20(3) of the Enforcement Rules of the Act, to establish the requirements for the standards, methods, procedures, etc. of reviewing and assessing the safety and functionality of functional ingredients (including final products) that have been previously identified, as well as of health functional foods, to the latest scientific level. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To set forth conditions and methods of re-assessment of functional ingredients</li><li>• To determine matters related to the publishing of re-assessment results<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Related data of functionality contents, including the human study, cases collected through distribution, literature information, etc.</li><li>• Related data of safety, including adverse event, toxicological data, cases collected through distribution, literature information, etc.</li></ul></li><li>• To determine the scope of data of functional ingredients needed to be submitted for their re-assessment</li><li>• To determine matters needed to be taken into account in examining draft proposals for re-assessment</li></ul>

<b>7.</b>	<b>Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable:</b> Provide better information to consumers, promotion of public health
<b>8</b>	<b>Relevant documents:</b> Ministry of Food and Drug Safety Advance Notice No. 2016-685, 21 October 2016 (available in Korean)
<b>9.</b>	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> To be determined <b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> To be determined
<b>10.</b>	<b>Final date for comments:</b> 60 days from notification
<b>11.</b>	<b>Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:</b>  Technical Barriers to Trade(TBT) Division Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) 93, Isu-ro, Maengdong-myeon, Eumseong-gun Chungcheongbuk-do, 27737 Republic of Korea Tel.: (+82) 43 870 5525 Fax: (+82) 43 870 5682 E-mail: <a href="mailto:tbt@kats.go.kr">tbt@kats.go.kr</a> Website: <a href="http://www.knowtbt.kr">http://www.knowtbt.kr</a>  <a href="https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2016/TBT/KOR/16_4545_00_x.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crattachments/2016/TBT/KOR/16_4545_00_x.pdf</a>