NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** Republic of Korea  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Animal and Plant Quarantine Agency(APQA), Ministry for Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA) |
| **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):** Animal products |
| **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 Amendments to Range and Standards of Sterilization and Processing of Designated Quarantine Goods. **Language(s):** Korean. **Number of pages:** 35  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/SPS/KOR/18_3903_00_x.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The APQA/MAFRA of the Republic of Korea will make a partial amendment to Article 2 (Definitions of terms) of "Range and Standards of Sterilization and Processing of Designated Quarantine Goods". Major changes are as below.   1. "Products not subject to quarantine" in Paragraph 5 will be amended to "Products subject to confirmation by quarantine officers". 2. If the products are confirmed as not designated quarantine goods by the actual inspection, submission of the documents needed for confirmation may not be required. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [ ]****food safety, [****X] 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)*:**  **[****X] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:** Terrestrial Animal Health Code, Volume I. Sections 4, 5, Volume II  **[ ]** **International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]** **None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X] 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)*:** September 2018 or later  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** March 2019 or later |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [****X] Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **[ ]** **Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [ ]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:**  **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:**  Animal and Plant Quarantine Agency /MAFRA  177, Hyeoksin 8-ro, Gimcheon-si, Gyeongsangbuk-do, 39660, Republic of Korea  Tel: +(82) 54 912 0423  Fax: +(82) 54 912 0431  E-mail: ilsu@korea.kr  Website: <http://www.qia.go.kr> |
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