

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT  
ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

The following statement under Article 15.2 of the Agreement has been received from the delegation of Republic of Korea.

1. Korea became a party to the Tokyo Round Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade in September 1980 and, since then, has complied with the requirements of the Agreement.
2. To ensure that the provisions of the WTO/TBT Agreement are implemented, the Agreement has been translated into Korean. All government organizations responsible for the operation of technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures have been provided with copies of the Agreement, with emphasis placed on notification obligations.
3. Notices of proposed technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures are published in the Official Gazette (Guan Bo) of general circulation in accordance with Articles 2.9.1 and 5.6.1 of the Agreement.
4. Sixty days are normally allowed for other Members to make written comments on Korea's notifications under Articles 2.9.4 and 5.6.4 of the Agreement.
5. Korea's enquiry points, in accordance with Article 10.1 of the Agreement, are as follows:

(a) For industrial products:

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International Cooperation and Metrology Division  
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Kyonggi-do, 431-060

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(b) For agricultural products:

Technical Cooperation Division  
Bureau of International Agriculture  
Ministry of agriculture and Forestry  
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Kyonggi-do, 427-760

Telephone: + (82 2) 503 72 94  
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- (c) For fishery products:

Trade Promotion Division  
Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries  
826-14, Yoksam-dong, Kangnam-gu  
Seoul, 135-080

Telephone: + (82 2) 567 27 29

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- (d) For health, food sanitation and cosmetic products

International Cooperation Division  
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6. To ensure that administrative agencies provide early information on their proposals concerning the adoption of new technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures, or substantial amendments to the existing ones, the Korean Government enacted and put into force Prime Minister's Decree No. 268 on 1 January 1993. The Decree stipulates the basic procedures to be observed in connection with the drafting and enforcement of technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures.