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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Korea Food and Drug Administration Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Medicines, herb medicines, etc.
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Proposed Revision of the Regulations on Management of Imported Pharmaceuticals, Etc.
6.	Description of content: The purpose of this revision is to prohibit inferior herb medicines from being distributed in the market by introducing changes to the system to require that quality tests of herbal medicines be completed prior to custom clearance.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: - Prevention of distribution of inferior herb medicine - Improvement of public health
8.	Relevant documents: The Korea Food and Drug Administration Advance Notice No. 2004-15, 4 March 2004 (Available in Korean only)
9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force: } To be determined
10.	Final date for comments: 1 July 2004
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: International Trade and Legal Affairs Office Korea Food and Drug Administration #5, Nokbun-dong, Eunpyung-ku Seoul, 122-704, Republic of Korea Tel.: +82 2 380 1661 Fax: +82 2 356 2893 E-mail: wtokfda@kfda.go.kr