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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved:
2.	Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF)
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): Plants or plant products
4.	Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: Any trading partner
5.	Title, language and number of pages of the notified document: Proposed Draft Amendment of Plant Protection Act Enforcement Rules (available in Korean, 2 pages).
6.	Description of content: The proposed amendment of the Plant Protection Act Enforcement Rules includes the following phytosanitary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Import allowance for pet insects and insects for experiment with approval from the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry;- Separation of the list of import-prohibited pests from the list of import-prohibited plants to clarify the items subject to Pest Risk Analysis;- The list of import-prohibited plants which have been recently notified through emergency notifications;- Establishment of quarantine requirements for consignment in transit by land.
7.	Objective and rationale: <input type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
8.	International standard, guideline or recommendation: <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission, <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention, <input type="checkbox"/> None If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:
9.	Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available: MAF Public Notification 2004-46 published in the Korean Official Gazette, 3 May 2004 (available in Korean).
10.	Proposed date of adoption: To be determined.

11. Proposed date of entry into force: The effective date will be given upon publication of the final rule.
12. Final date for comments: 60 days from the date of notification Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input type="checkbox"/> National notification authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body: Agricultural Production and Management Division Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry The Republic of Korea Tel: +82-2-500-1772 Fax: +82-2-507-3963 E-mail: kimns@maf.go.kr
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