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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u>
 If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):
- **2. Agency responsible:** Ministry of Food and Drug Safety

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:

Documents are available from the Ministry Food and Drug Safety website (http://www.mfds.go.kr)

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- 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): Cosmetics
- **5. Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** Proposed amendments to the Regulation on Safety Standards etc. of Cosmetics (6 pages, in Korean)
- 6. Description of content:
 - As "wet tissue" has been added to the scope of cosmetics, its content of methanol and formaldehyde, and microbiological limit have been newly established.
 - Also, the following two ingredients have been newly categorized as ingredients not allowed in cosmetics: fluorescence brightening agent, xylene (except, trace level below 0.002%)
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Cosmetic safety
- **8. Relevant documents:** MFDS Notification No 2015-109 (4 March 2015)

9. Proposed date of adoption: To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

10. Final date for comments: 60 days from notification

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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