

Arrangement for Cooperation on Food Safety between the Korea Food and Drug Administration of the Republic of Korea and the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Chile

The Korea Food and Drug Administration of the Republic of Korea and the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Chile (hereinafter referred to as "the Sides"),

Wishing to facilitate exchange of information, sharing of experiences, and harmonization of food safety and quality standards between the Sides on the basis of equality, reciprocity and mutual benefit, and

Desiring to develop a process of cooperation between the Sides in the areas of food safety and quality standards,

Have reached the following arrangement:

1. Basic Principle

The Sides hereby confirm their intention to promote cooperation in the areas of food safety and quality standards in accordance with this Arrangement and the relevant laws and regulations of the Sides.

2. Areas of Cooperation

Areas of cooperation under this Arrangement will include the following particularly.

- (a) exchange of information on the establishment, revision, enforcement and documentation of the relevant laws and regulations regulating food safety, sanitation standards and specifications;
- (b) exchange of the risk information for food safety management;
- (c) practical use of the authorized foreign official laboratories and the activation of pre-confirmations based on registration system of import foods;
- (d) reciprocal visit of inspection staff members and specialists in order to facilitate information exchange and field inspection on foods; and

- (e) symposiums and/or joint training courses, subject to the availability of the funds and resources of each Side

3. Cooperative Committee

- (a) The Sides may establish a cooperative committee (hereinafter referred to as "the Committee") to review the progress of cooperative activities under this Arrangement and discuss other issues related to this Arrangement.
- (b) The Committee will be composed of representatives designated by each Side.
- (c) The Committee will be held annually and alternately in Seoul and Santiago, unless otherwise decided by the Sides.
- (d) The Sides, through consultations, will decide the agenda of the Committee and its composition in advance.
- (e) The Sides will designate their respective contact points to ensure efficient operation of the Committee.

4. Financial Arrangements

- (a) Each Side will bear its own costs in relation to cooperative activities under this Arrangement.
- (b) Costs of any assistance provided by either Side at the request of the other will be borne by the requesting Side, unless otherwise decided by the Sides.

5. Release of Information

Neither Side will disclose or distribute to any third party any confidential information transmitted by the other Side in the process of cooperative activities under this Arrangement, except as and to the extent authorized in writing to do so by that other Side.

6. Resolution of Differences

Any differences in the interpretation and/or implementation of this Arrangement will be resolved amicably through consultations between the Sides.

7. Validity and Termination

- (a) This Arrangement will come into effect on the later date of its signature and will remain effective for a period of five years. It will be automatically renewed for successive periods of five years, unless either Side notifies the other in writing of its intention to terminate this Arrangement 6 months in advance.
- (b) This Arrangement may be amended with the mutual written consent of the Sides.
- (c) The termination of this Arrangement will not affect the duration or validity of any cooperative activities under this Arrangement which are in progress at the time of the notification of the termination of this Arrangement.

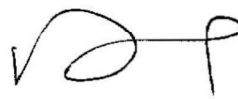
Signed in duplicate at Santiago, on June 20, 2006, in the Korean, Spanish and English languages, all texts being equally valid. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text will prevail.

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