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Subject : Reply regarding export certificates

Dear Directors,

I would like to appreciate the support of the European Union (EU) in providing a temporary working solution to the delayed arrival of original paper export certificates amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Korea will do all we can to send original paper certificates along with consignments. However, if it is not possible, the Korean competent authorities will send scanned copies of original paper certificates to the BCPs.

In order to prevent any trade disruption from the COVID-19 pandemic, Korea will also conduct temporary measures as below determined through consultations among competent authorities, namely the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (MAFRA), Ministry of Food and Drug Safety (MFDS) and Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries (MOF).

- Original export certificates (including duplicate) should be submitted accompanying the consignments, in principle.
- If it is not possible to submit original papers, copies of original paper certificates (scanned colour copies) sent from EU competent authorities or EU Delegation to Korea to our Food Inspection Offices or Quarantine Services will be accepted.
- Original paper certificates (including duplicate) should be submitted as soon as technically feasible when airport transport restrictions are resolved.



Scanned copies of original paper certificates should be sent by electronic messages, from a mailbox belonging to the EU quarantine authorities or EU delegation to Korea to the mailbox belonging to the Quarantine Services of MAFRA / MOF, or Import Management Division of MFDS of the point of entry in Korea. Please see the attachment. I ask the EU delegation to Korea to provide contact details of the EU competent authorities to whom our quarantine offices can refer on any issues.

This measure proposed above is only temporary for two months (by May 31) due to the COVID-19 outbreak. I hope that we can continue our consultations by following further development of the current situation.

Yours sincerely,

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Contacts for Quarantine & Inspection offices In Korea (Import to Korea)

1. Plants and Plant products

Institution	Headquarter Office	Officer	Address	Telephone	Fax	Email	Products
APQA	Export Management division	Uijin HONG	177, Hyeoksinsin 8-ro, Gimcheon-si, Gyeongsangbuk-do, Republic of Korea, 39660	+82-54-912-0633	+82-54-912-0635	hej1277@korea.kr	Plants and Plant products

2. Animals and Livestock Products

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APQA	YEONGNAM Regional Office	KIM, SOO-KYOUNG	#77-1, Jungang-daero, Jung-gu, Busan, Korea 48929	+82-51-600-0413	+82-51-600-0425	nvrqsy03@korea.kr, qiapn@korea.kr	Animals and Livestock Products
APQA	JUNGBU Regional Office	LEE, RAE YOUNG	1F, Juan-ro 129, Michuhol-gu, Incheon, Korea 22133	+82-32-722-8224	+82-32-891-1360	nvrqsi05@korea.kr	Livestock Products
APQA	SEOUL Regional Office	PARK, SE BUM	46, Deungchon-ro 39ga-gil, Gangseo-gu, Seoul, Korea 07670	+82-2-2650-0617	+82-2-2650-0699	nvrqss02@korea.kr, nvrqss07@korea.kr	Livestock Products
APQA	YONGIN District Office, SEOUL Regional Office	HA, SEUNG-JUN	44, 16beon-gil, Jeondae-ro, Pogok-eup, Cheoin-gu, Yongin-si, Gyeonggi-do, Republic of Korea, 17023	82-31-327-0101	82-31-327-0197	yongin1@korea.kr	Livestock Products

APQA	GWANGYANG District Office, HONAM Regional Office	KIM, JUNGHO	3 RD FLOOR, 18-42, Hangman8-ro, Gwangyang-si, Jeollanam-do, Korea 57772	+82-61-798-49 21	+82-61-762- 6295	nvrqsh01 @korea.kr, mysys @korea.kr	Livestock Products
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MFDS	Imported Food Inspection Management Division	Kim, Hyun	Osong Health Technology Administration Complex, 187, Osongsaengmyeong 2-ro, Osong-eup, Heungdeok-gu, Cheongju-si, Chungcheongbuk-do, 28159, Korea	+82-43-719-22 31	+82-43-719- 2200	fishdoctor@kor ea.kr	Fishery Products

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MAFRA	Quarantine Policy Division	JAE, Chang Wook	+82-51-600-0413	coolpax@korea.kr	Animals and Livestock Products
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