Joint Dialogue between the Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs of the Republic of Korea and Directorate General for Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Commission to enhance cooperation on organic production

The Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (hereinafter referred as MAFRA) together with the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy (hereinafter referred as MOTIE) and the Directorate General for Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Commission (EC) (hereinafter DG AGRI) together with the Directorate General for Trade (hereinafter DG TRADE) envisage establishing a dialogue on organic production consisting of representatives of both sides.

The task of the dialogue on organic production is to facilitate bilateral trade and to enhance a regulatory dialogue between MAFRA/MOTIE and DG AGRI/DG TRADE on issues related to the standards on organic agricultural products.

The dialogue on organic production should cover the equivalence recognitions of each other's organic production systems including the scope of the arrangement, the progress on technical issues including the use of non-organic seeds and other issues related to organic agricultural products. It should take place annually, unless otherwise decided.

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