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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):		
2.	Agency responsible: Korean Agency for Technology and Standards Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:		
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3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 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): False eyelashes; Retreaded tyres; Domestic pressure pans and pressure pots; Metal blades for portable grass cutters; Child restraint systems; Aquatic articles; Gas lighters; Protective helmets for vehicles; Protective helmets for sports users; In-line roller skates; Playground equipment; Children's cots; BB Guns; Baby carriages; Baby walking frames; Moist tissue; Motorized skateboard. The manufacturers should obtain the product and factory inspections of the items mentioned above, in accordance with the provision of Article 14 of Quality Management and Safety Control of Industrial Products Act. 		
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Safety criteria (technical regulations) on 18 items above (available in Korean).		
6.	 Description of content: Safety criteria replacing current criteria should be applied on 12 industrial products as follows: false eyelashes, retreaded tyres, domestic pressure pans and pressure pots, metal blades for portable grass cutters, aquatic articles, gas lighters, protective helmets for vehicles, protective helmets for sports users, in-line roller skates, playground equipments, baby carriages, baby walking frames etc. False eyelashes: The criteria for harmful chemical substances including azo dye, organotin compound, formaldehyde, heavy metals (lead, arsenic) may be modified equivalent to the criteria of Eko-tex standards; for adhesive for false eyelashes, toluene 		

is added to the list of control of harmful chemical substances. The test method on each harmful chemical substance is modified to comply with the KS standards KS K 0147.	
Retreaded tyres: This standard is modified to be identified with the KS M 6610.	
- Domestic pressure pans and pressure pots: The requirements for safety equipment a strengthened equivalent to those of European standards. The functional requirement rice cooking which has few safety concerns is deleted.	
Baby carriages: The safety requirement for endurance is newly drafted to prevent baby's neck from sudden braking.	
Protective helmets for sports users: The items subject to standards for skiers are extended for snowboarders.	
Playground equipment: This standard includes the revisions of EN1176-1 that antiseptic treatment for woods on the floor is mandatory; the safety on wooden products is strengthened specifying the minimum amount of absorption of antiseptic-treated woods, and the requirement for protecting the side of slide is added.	
Child restraint systems, kick board, BB guns: The revisions of safety inspections criteria notified on 4 April 2006 are applied, however,	
kick board: the criteria for hardness in accordance with the material of the wheels is defined respectively;	
BB guns are classified under 'for child' and 'for juvenile/adults'. As for guns for adults, some metals are allowed to be used in some parts where they do not influence the performance of kinetic energy of bullets.	
Children's cots: This standard is classified by 5 parts; it includes the safety requirements and test methods for children's cots, folding cots, safety criteria for cradles and security enclosure for children, applying European safety criteria.	
Moist tissue: This standard applies the current safety verification criteria, applying the European safety guide to the industrial products for children; the safety criteria for organotin compound are added, the criteria for harmful chemical substances are modified and the test method for each harmful chemical substance is modified to comply with the KS standards.	
Motorized skateboard: The safety requirements for falling weight impact test, brak performance test, load/unload test on board(deck) and wheel hardness test are newly drafted, the test method for these is specified and the safety criteria is newly established.	
Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Article 14 of Quality Management and Safety Control of Industrial Products Act	
evant documents: No. 2006-232, Notification of Korean Agency for Technology and ndards, Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy, Republic of Korea	

9.	Proposed date of adoption: Proposed date of entry into force:	December 2006 March 2007	
10.	Final date for comments: December 2006		
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body:		
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