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Further to MAA2013-03, the Department of Agriculture (the department) provides the following update on the status of equivalence negotiations with the Republic of Korea in relation to new requirements being implemented on 1 January 2014 for the import into Korea of processed and semi processed certified organic products:

The department has confirmed that product shipped on or before 31 December 2013 and arriving into Korea after 1 January 2014 may be labelled as organic in accordance with the current labelling system.

The department also understands that, pending equivalence determination, the following list of processed foods may continue to be exported to Korea on or after 1 January 2014 in accordance with the current requirements. However, the department strongly encourages exporters to verify import requirements for all organic goods with their importers prior to export.

For all other processed and semi-processed products, exporters are reminded that any organic producer or certifying organisation that wishes to export processed and semi processed organic food to Korea on or after 1 January 2014 is required to be approved by the Korean Government through an individual (commercial level) conformity assessment arrangement.

Serial No.	Type of Food	Serial No.	Type of Food
1	Butter	35	Candail
2	Semi-hard cheese	36	Sunflower oil
3	Whole milk powder	37	Olive oil
4	Nonfat dry milk	38	Palm oil
5	Mixed milk powder	39	Coconut oil
6	Concentrated whey	40	Mixed cooking oil
7	Sweet whey powder	41	Shortening
8	Whey protein powder	42	Other edible oils and fats
9	Lactose	43	Tea
10	Processed lactium	44	Coffee (roasted)

11	Dry cured meat	45	Fruit and vegetable juices
12	Whole egg liquid	46	Soybean milk
13	Yolk liquid	47	Soybean milk powder
14	Albumen liquid	48	Fermented vinegar
15	Whole egg powder	49	Curry powder
16	Yolk powder	50	Processed spices
17	Dried albumen	51	Peanut or processed nuts
18	Livestock products not subject to standard specifications (dried milk protein)	52	Starches
19	Processed cocoa	53	Other starches
20	Chocolates	54	Processed fruits and vegetables
21	Jams	55	Bee honey
22	Marmalade	56	Flour
23	Other jams	57	Nutrition-enriched flour
24	White sugar	58	Other flour
25	Brown sugar	59	Dried yeast
26	Liquefied glucose	60	Dried yeast products
27	Powdered/crystalline glucose	61	Yeast extracts
28	Dextrin	62	Processed cereals
29	Sugar syrups	63	Processed pulses
30	Fructo oligosaccharide	64	Processed potatoes
31	Isomalto oligosaccharide	65	Other processed products (liquid extracted from molasses or malt)
32	Malto oligosaccharide	66	Oils and fats containing gamma linolenic acid
33	Soybean oil	67	Soybean lecithin
34	Corn oil (maize oil)		

Please direct any enquiries regarding this matter to the contacts listed above.

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