Food Safety Commission Order

(Cabinet Order No. 273 of June 20, 2003)

The Cabinet enacts this Cabinet Order pursuant to Article 24, paragraph (1), item (xiii) and Article 38 of the Food Safety Basic Act (Act No. 48 of 2003).

(Cases When Relevant Ministers Must Hear the Food Safety Commission's Opinions)

Article 1 (1) The case provided by the Cabinet Order provided in Article 24, paragraph (1), item (xiv) of the Food Safety Basic Act (hereinafter referred to as the "Act") is the case in which relevant ministers intend to formulate policies to ensure food safety in accordance with the provisions of ordinances (excluding Cabinet Orders, and including public notices) in accordance with the Acts cited in items (i) to (xiii) of that paragraph, specified by the Cabinet Office Order as one where the Assessment of the Effect of Food on Health provided by Article 11, paragraph (1) of the Act must be made.

(2) When the Prime Minister intends to enact, amend, or abolish the Cabinet Office Order in the preceding paragraph, the Prime Minister must hear the opinions of relevant ministers.

(Deputy Secretary-General)

Article 2 (1) The secretariat of the Food Safety Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") establishes one deputy-secretary general.

(2) The deputy secretary-general assists the secretary-general.

(Organization of the Secretariat)

Article 3 (1) The secretariat of the Commission establishes divisions.

(2) The secretariat of the Commission may establish a staff that takes part in the important things of the matters of the secretariat as instructed, except what is provided for in the preceding paragraph.

(3) The number of divisions to be established pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (1) must be 4 or less.

(4) In addition to what is provided in the preceding three paragraphs, details of the secretariat's organizational structure must be prescribed by the Cabinet Office Order.

(Management of the Commission)

Article 4 In addition to what is provided in this Cabinet Order, the Chairperson determines the procedure of meetings and other matters necessary for the administration of the Commission with consulting the Commission.