TO: Codex Contact Points
Interested International Organizations

FROM: Secretariat
Codex Alimentarius Commission

SUBJECT: Request for comments and information on: Implementation of the CCAFRICA Strategic Plan; National Food Control Systems, Consumer participation in food standard setting; the use of Codex standards at national and regional level and Nutritional issues in the region

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1. In preparation of the 19th Session of the FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Africa (CCAFRICA), updated information since the 18th Session of the Committee is requested on:

   (a) implementation of the CCAFRICA Strategic Plan (Part A);

   (b) national food control systems, including consumer participation in food standards setting (Part B);

   (c) use of Codex standards and related texts at national and regional level (Part C); and

   (d) nutritional issues within the Region (Part D).

2. The information submitted will be compiled in working documents to be considered by the 19th CCAFRICA. The information provided on the implementation of CCAFRICA Strategic Plan will be used to monitor the implementation of the strategic plan especially in relation to the priority activities and related actions identified by the 18th CCAFRICA (see ALINORM 09/32/28, Appendix II).1

3. Codex Members and Observers are invited to submit the relevant information by using the questionnaire attached to this Circular Letter and to provide this information as directed above. Codex Members and Observers are invited to submit information in a clear and concise way in order to facilitate the translation of comments and their consideration by the Committee.

1 The Strategic Plan including its priority activities and actions is available at ftp://ftp.fao.org/codex/alinorm09/al32_28e.pdf