TO: Codex Contact Points
Interested International Organizations

FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission, Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme
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SUBJECT: Distribution of the Report of the 34th Session of the Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (REP13/MAS)

MATTERS FOR ADOPTION BY THE 36th SESSION OF THE COMMISSION:

Proposed Draft Regional Standards at Step 8 of the Procedure
1. Draft Principles for the Use of Sampling and Testing in International Food Trade (para. 73, Appendix III)

Other Amendments to the Standards
2. Methods of Analysis and Sampling in Codex Standards at different steps (paras 16 – 54, Appendix II)

Amendment to the Procedural Manual
3. Proposed Amendment to the Guidelines for Establishing Numeric Values for Method Criteria and/or Assessing Methods for Compliance Thereof in the Procedural Manual (para 9, Appendix IV)

Governments and interested international organizations wishing to comments on the above documents should do so in writing in conformity with the Guide to the Consideration of Standards at Step 8 and Step 5/8 (see Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius Commission) to the above address before 15 May 2013.