TO: Codex Contact Points
    Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex

FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,
    Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

SUBJECT: Request for Comments at Step 8 on the draft Standard for fermented cooked cassava-
    based products

DEADLINE: 31 MARCH 2020

BACKGROUND
1. For the background information, please refer to document REP20/AFRICA para. 76, and Appendix III;

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS
2. Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments at Step 8 on the draft standard for
    fermented cooked cassava-based products, which is uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting
    System (OCS): https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/, as per the guidance below.
3. Comments should address whether the text is ready for adoption or not at Step 8; and if not, provide
    the rationale and proposals to facilitate adoption. Comments should be provided in conformity with the
    Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts (Part 3 – Uniform Procedure for
    the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts, Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius
    Commission.

GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS
4. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers
    using the OCS.
5. Contact Points of Codex members and observers may login to the OCS and access the document
    open for comments by selecting “Enter” in the “My reviews” page, available after login to the system.
6. Contact Points of Codex members and observers organizations are requested to provide general
    comments at the document level. Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can
    be found in the OCS Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).
7. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can be found at the following link: http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/ocs/en/.
8. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.