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 5 on the proposed draft Regional Standard for Kava
   products for use as a beverage when mixed with water

DEADLINE: 31 March 2020

BACKGROUND
   1. For background information, please refer to document REP20/NASWP paragraph 96 and Appendix
      III.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS
   2. Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments on the proposed draft Regional
      Standard for Kava products for use as a beverage when mixed with water, which is uploaded to the
      Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/, as per the guidance
      below.

GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS
   3. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers
      using the OCS.
   4. 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.
   5. Contact Points of Codex members and observers organizations are requested to provide proposed
      changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial,
      substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments or summary
      comments). Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS
      Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).
   6. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can be found at the following link:
   7. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.