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: Review of CXS 234: dairy package and fats and oils package

DEADLINE: 30 June 2020

BACKGROUND

1. For information, please refer to documents CX/MAS 20/41/4 and CX/MAS 20/14/5, respectively.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments on: (i) the proposed changes to methods related to dairy products in CXS 234; and to provide view/replies to the questions posed in CX/MAS 20/41/4, paras 22 and 23-28; (ii) general views of the proposals for changes to methods related to fats and oils in CXS 234 and any other specific comments on these methods. The proposals are uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/, as per the guidance below.

3. In submitting comments on the above, Codex members and observers are invited to consider the background information and conclusions provided in CX/MAS 20/41/4 and CX/MAS 20/41/5, respectively.

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 proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific methods (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).

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/circular-letters/en/.

8. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.