NOTES ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Agenda:
   In accordance with Rule V.2 of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure, the first item on the Agenda shall be the Adoption of the Agenda (CX/EXEC 02/50/1).

2. Review of the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme:
   A progress report will be provided on the review announced at the 49th Session of the Executive Committee (CX/EXEC 02/50/2).
3. **Financial and Budgetary Matters:**
   This is a standing item on the Provisional Agenda in accordance with Rule XI of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure (CX/EXEC 02/50/3).

4. **Trust Fund for the Participation of Developing Counties in Codex Standard-Setting Procedures:**
   The 24th Session of the Commission agreed in principle that FAO and WHO should establish clear rules and procedures for the establishment and functioning of a trust fund for consideration in the first instance by the Executive Committee in 2002. The Executive Committee will be invited to consider these proposals (CX/EXEC 02/50/4).

5. **Preparation of the Medium-Term Plan 2003-2007:**
   The Executive Committee is invited to review the Proposed Draft Medium-Term Plan in the light of comments received in response to Codex Circular Letter CL 2001/26-EXEC (CX/EXEC 02/50/5).

6. **Implementation of the Commission's Programme of Work:**
   (a) Implementation of decisions taken by the 24th Session of the Commission: A status report will be provided by the Secretariat and will include a section on monitoring of the recommendations of the FAO Conference on International Trade Beyond the Year 2000: Science-based Decisions, Harmonization, Equivalence and Mutual Recognition as requested by the 24th Session of the Commission (CX/EXEC 02/50/6); the report will also include a description of implications for Codex work of the WHO Global Food Safety Strategy, adopted by the WHO Executive Board, January 2002.

   (b) Consideration of new work proposals at Step 1 of the Procedure: The Executive Committee will examine proposals for new work to be included in the Commission’s Programme of Work in accordance with the Uniform Procedures for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts (CX/EXEC 02/50/7);

   (c) Consideration of Proposed Draft Standards and Related Texts at Step 5: The Executive Committee will consider Proposed Draft Standards submitted by Codex Committees and Task Forces in accordance with the Uniform Procedures for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts (CX/EXEC 02/50/8);

   (d) Matters arising from Codex Committees: The Executive Committee will be invited to make recommendations on matters specifically referred to it by Codex Committees and Task Forces (CX/EXEC 02/50/9).

1. **Draft Provisional Agenda for the 25th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission:**
   This is a standing item on the agenda of the Executive Committee at its alternate sessions, in accordance with Rule V.1 of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure (CX/EXEC 02/50/10).

2. **Other Business:**
   In accordance with Rule V.5 of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure, any Member of the Executive Committee may propose the inclusion of specific items in respect of matters of an urgent nature.

3. **Adoption of Report:**
   In accordance with Rule VIII.1 of the Commission’s Rules of Procedure and established practice, the Executive Committee shall adopt the report of its 50th Session, based on a draft provided by the Secretariat.
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