Agenda Item 1

JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME
CODEX COMMITTEE ON MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS
Ninth Session
Auckland, New Zealand, 1-5 February 2010

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

The Ninth Session of the Codex Committee on Milk and Milk Products will be held in
The Ballroom, Rendezvous Hotel, Mayoral Drive and Vincent Street, Auckland
from Monday, 1 February at 09.30 hours through Friday, 5 February 2010

The meeting of the physical Working Group on the draft Amendment to the Codex Standard for Fermented Milks pertaining to Drinks based on Fermented Milk
will be held on Sunday 31 January at 09.00 hours at the Tasman I Room, Rendezvous Hotel, Auckland

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Delegates are kindly requested to bring with them to the meeting all documents which have been distributed, as the number of additional copies which can be made available at the session is limited. Working documents will be uploaded onto the Codex website: www.codexalimentarius.org
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NOTES ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda Item 1 - Adoption of the Agenda (CX/MMP 10/9/1) - The Committee will be invited to adopt the Provisional Agenda as the Agenda for the Session.

Agenda Item 2 – Matters referred by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and other Codex Committees and Task Forces (CX/MMP 10/9/2) - The document is an information paper prepared by the Codex Secretariat concerning matters referred from the 31st and 32nd Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission and other Codex Committees and Task Forces.

Agenda Item 3 – Draft Amendment to the Codex Standard for Fermented Milks (CODEX STAN 243-2003) pertaining to Drinks based on Fermented Milk (ALINORM 08/31/11 App. IV, CX/MMP 10/9/3) - The 31st Session of the Commission adopted the proposed draft Amendment to the Codex Standard for Fermented Milks (CODEX STAN 243-2003) pertaining to Drinks based on Fermented Milk at Step 5 and advanced it to Step 6 as proposed by the 8th CCMMP (ALINORM 08/31/REP para. 68 and Appendix VIII). Comments at Step 6 received in response to CL 2008/23-MMP are summarised in working document CX/MMP 10/9/3. In order to facilitate discussion at the next session and further progress of the work in the Step procedure, the 8th CCMMP agreed to establish a physical Working Group, under the leadership of Indonesia, to consider the document along with comments submitted at Step 6. The Working Group, open to all delegations and observers and working in English only, would meet immediately prior to the next session of the Committee (ALINORM 08/31/11, para. 48).

Agenda Item 4 - Report of the physical Working Group on the proposed draft Standard for Processed Cheese (CX/MMP 10/9/4) - The 8th CCMMP agreed to return the proposed draft Standard for Processed Cheese to Step 2 for redrafting by a physical Working Group, under the co-leadership of France and New Zealand, open to all delegations and observers for circulation at Step 3 and further consideration at Step 4 at the Ninth Session of the Committee (ALINORM 08/31/11, para. 72). The physical Working Group, which met in Brussels on 20-22 January 2009, was unfortunately not able to develop a text that met the needs of all delegations and was consistent with its mandate to simplify and improve the text.

Agenda Item 5 - Maximum levels for annatto extracts in Codex Standards for milk and milk products (replies to CL 2008/2-MMP, Part B) (CX/MMP 10/9/5) - The 8th CCMMP agreed to recommend adoption of the proposed maximum levels for individual cheese standards (Standards for Cheddar, Danbo, Edam, Gouda, Havarti, Samso, Emmental, Tilsiter, Saint-Paulin, Provolone, Coulommiers, Cream Cheese, Camembert and Brie), in order to resolve the situation in which the lack of provision for annatto extracts in these standards could preclude their use. In acknowledging the view of several delegations that higher maximum levels should be provided, including maximum levels for annatto extracts norbixin-based (INS 160b (ii)), the Committee agreed that comments on these maximum levels as well as technological justification thereof, would be requested for consideration by the Ninth Session of the Committee (ALINORM 08/31/11, para. 16). Comments submitted in response to CL 2008/2-MMP, Part B are summarized in document CX/MMP 10/9/5.

Agenda Item 6 - Other Business and Future Work

Agenda Item 6(a) - Report of the IDF/ISO Working Group on Methods of Analysis and Sampling for Milk and Milk Products (CX/MMP 10/9/6) - The 8th CCMMP agreed to request the IDF/ISO Working Group on Methods of Analysis and Sampling to consider the replies to CL 2008/2-MMP, Part B and i) to prepare a list of methods required in the standards currently being elaborated by the Committee; and ii) to review the current methods of analysis and sampling for milk and milk products and provide recommendations on updates to the list (ALINORM 08/31/11, para. 106).

Agenda Item 6(b) - Inconsistent presentation of food additive provisions in Codex standards for milk and milk products (CX/MMP 10/9/7) – This item has been included in the provisional agenda by the Chairperson of the CCMMP. The document identifies and makes recommendations on inconsistent presentation of food additive provisions in Codex standards for milk and milk products.

Agenda Item 6(c) - Consistency of the Model Export Certificate for Milk and Milk Products (CAC/GL 67-2008) with the Generic Model Official Certificate - Annex to the Guidelines for Design, Production, Issuance and Use of Generic Official Certificates (CAC/GL 38-2001) (CX/MMP 10/9/8) - This item has been included in the provisional agenda by the Chairperson of the CCMMP to address the request of the 32nd Session of the Commission to revise the Model Export Certificate for Milk and Milk Products (CAC/GL 67-2008) to ensure consistency with the Generic Model Official Certificate (ALINORM 09/32/REP, para. #).

Agenda Item 7 - Date and Place of the Next Session - The Chairperson will propose, on behalf of the host country, the tentative date and place of the next meeting.

Agenda Item 8 - Adoption of the Report - The Committee shall adopt a report of its 9th Session based on a draft provided by the Secretariat.