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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 on the Revision of the Recommended Methods of CODEX STAN 234/ review and update of CODEX STAN 234**

DEADLINE: 7 April 2018

BACKGROUND

1. See CX/MAS 18/39/4

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments, through the Codex Contact Points, on the Revision of the Recommended Methods of CODEX STAN 234/ review and update of CODEX STAN 234, which is uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/>, as per the guidance below.
3. Comments are specifically requested on:
 - the preamble and structure proposed in CX/MAS 18/39/4 (Appendix 1); and
 - the need for the annexes 1, 2 and 3 presented in Appendix 1.

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 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).
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.