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Proposed Draft Standard for Cloves

Comments from Nigeria

Nigeria appreciates the efforts of the members of Electronic Working Group (EWG) that developed the proposed draft on Dried Cloves and wishes to submit the comments below:

4. FOOD ADDITIVES

Nigeria proposes the amendment outlined below:

Where applicable, only the anti-caking agents listed in Table III of the *General Standards for Food Additives* (CXS 192-1995) ~~are permitted for use~~ **may be used** in ground/powdered dried floral parts.

Rationale: There is no uniform requirement or practice on the use of food additives in this product as some countries prohibit their use while others do not, based on national policy/regulations. Hence, Nigeria's recommendation is to avoid any ambiguity on the optional use of food additives for the product in ground/powdered form.

9.1 Methods of Analysis

Total Ash: Nigeria recommends that the ISO 3632-2 method specified should be expunged as it is for dry saffron obtained from the flower *Crocus sativus L.*, and not for Dried Cloves.