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Replies to CL 2010/43-AFRICA received from Mali

MALI

Question 1: Should there be a shift in emphasis from Objective 1 to Objectives 2 and 3?

Mali considers in broad terms that Objectives 2 and 3 should now be given precedence over Objective 1.

Question 2: If the answer to the preceding question was "yes", what is the "niche" for the Codex Trust Fund?

- Support the more organized countries in assisting and mentoring the other countries of the CCAFRICA;
- Encourage collaboration between the developed and the developing countries;
- Support the organization of National Codex Committees;
- Support the organization of training sessions for members of National Codex Committees and subcommittees to enhance their involvement in Codex activities:
- Support research and data collection activities for Codex works;
- Encourage the organization of CCAFRICA meetings to draw up common regional positions.

Question 3: Should there be a mechanism to continue support for physical participation for countries that most need it (including those that no longer meet the eligibility requirements to be beneficiaries but that cannot afford to participate)?

Mali supports the creation of a mechanism to continue financing the physical participation of countries that most need it (including graduate countries that cannot sustain their participation).

Question 4: Should there be re-consideration of the criteria for allocation of support?

Mali is in favour of retaining the UN-based criteria for eligibility to the Codex Trust Fund.

Question 5: Should the lifespan of the Codex Trust Fund be extended?

Mali is in favour of extending the lifespan of the Codex Trust Fund.