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PROPOSED DRAFT REVISED RECOMMENDED INTERNATIONAL CODE OF PRACTICE FOR RADIATION PROCESSING OF FOOD

The following comments have been received from European Community:

EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

Introduction

The European Community welcomes the proposed draft revision of the Code of Practice and believes that the draft presents an important step towards adoption.

Proposal

Chapter 5.2 Radiation sources

In a) delete “or ¹³⁷Cs”.

Chapter 5.3.1 Legislation

Modify 2nd sentence: “A food irradiation facility, *like any other food processing plant, is subject to such regulation ...*”. (US proposal to 33rd CCFAC meeting)

Chapter 5.3.5 Product and inventory control

The first paragraph of the former draft should be re-inserted (slightly modified): “*An adequate system should be in place so that specific consignments of food products can be traced back both to the irradiation facility and the source from which they were received for processing*”.

Chapter 6.5 Dosimetry and process control

Delete last sentence; leave footnote 9.

Chapter 8

Modify the end of the first sentence: “. . . and for the labelling *of irradiated prepackaged foods and foods sold in bulk*, respectively.”

