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PRIORITY LIST OF FOOD ADDITIVES, CONTAMINANTS AND NATURALLY OCCURRING TOXICANTS PROPOSED FOR EVALUATION BY JECFA

COMMENTS (CL 2004/9-FAC)

The following comments have been received from: Japan

JAPAN

Exposure assessment of Ochratoxin A;

1. We are planning to carry out surveillance on ochratoxin A in domestically produced rice and wheat grains from April 2005. Data will be submitted to JECFA upon completion of the surveillance and not later than December 2005.

2. We started surveillance on ochratoxin A in rice, wheat flour, maize, oat, rye, buckwheat, dried grapes, coffee, beer and wine this year. The surveillance will continue through March 2007. The complete data package will not be ready for presentation before March 2007.

3. We would like to request that JECFA conduct exposure assessment on ochratoxin A in 2006 or later because the data of the first surveillance will not become available before the end of 2005.

Exposure assessment of Patulin;

1. We have carried out surveillance on patulin in domestically produced apple juice since 2003. These data will be submitted to JECFA by 2007.