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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

**CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD LABELLING
THIRTY-FIRST SESSION
OTTAWA, CANADA, 28 APRIL - 2 MAY 2003**

DRAFT AMENDMENT TO *THE GENERAL STANDARD FOR THE LABELLING OF PREPACKAGED FOODS* (DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE LABELLING OF FOODS OBTAINED THROUGH CERTAIN TECHNIQUES OF GENETIC MODIFICATION/GENETIC ENGINEERING):

**DEFINITIONS
(ALINORM 03/22 - APPENDIX III)**

GOVERNMENT COMMENTS AT STEP 6

COMMENTS FROM:

INTERNATIONAL BABY FOOD ACTION NETWORK (IBFAN)

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GOVERNMENT COMMENTS AT STEP 6

INTERNATIONAL BABY FOOD ACTION NETWORK (IBFAN):

Section 2

IBFAN supports the retention of [] defining “no longer equivalent” / “differs significantly” as these terms need more in-depth definition. Standards for determining differences, how these differences will be determined and what constitutes a difference needs to be clearly established by the standard.

Section 3.4 (b)

Add the word “**apparent**” in the following phrase and reinsert “**and/or other parameters**”
...resulting from gene technology even when they do not differ in **apparent** composition, nutritional value, intended use **and/or other parameters**.