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**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CODEX STRATEGIC PLAN 2008-2013**

Replies to CL 2008/12-NASWP, Part C of Cook Islands

**(i) Mechanisms and evaluation criteria at country level to improve horizontal coordination and communication among national delegates to various food-standards-related international organizations (see Activity 4.5 of the Strategic Plan)**

**COOK ISLANDS**

Building capacity is important to develop Codex Awareness in country at all level of the community as well in order advancing progress in the implementations of standards.

**(ii) Establishment of sound structures and processes for consultation on Codex matters to ensure effective involvement and participation of all interested parties, with a view to in particular non-governmental organizations to participate in Codex work at national, regional and international levels (see Activity 5.5 of the Strategic Plan).**

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The National Codex Committee was established in 2005 as a statutory body endorsed by Cabinet and ensure that effective participation of all interested parties at all level of Codex activities in the community. The Cook Islands would like to seek assistance as well support from the Codex programme in providing more in country Codex training for the food industry.