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Request for Comments at Step 6 on the Draft Maximum Level for Melamine in Liquid Infant SUBJECT:

Formula

30 November 2011 **DEADLINE**:

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BACKGROUND

- The 5th Session of the Committee on Contaminants in Food (CCCF) agreed to advance to Step 5/8, the proposed Draft Maximum Level for Melamine in Liquid Infant Formula for adoption by the 34th Session of the Commission (REP 11/CF, para. 33 and Appendix III).
- The 34th Session of the Commission however agreed to adopt the maximum level at Step 5, to advance it to Step 6 for comments and discussion at the 6th Session of the CCCF. This was due to the concerns expressed by several delegations to the note which allows for exemptions from the draft ML (REP11/CAC, para. 62 and Appendix IV).

Request for comments

- Comments are hereby requested at Step 6 on the draft ML for melamine in liquid infant formula as presented in Appendix III of REP11/CF. The document is available from the Codex website at the following address: ftp://ftp.fao.org/codex/reports_2011/REP11_CFe.pdf.
- Governments and international organizations wishing to provide comments should do so in writing preferably by e-mail to the above addresses before 30 November 2011.