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Proposed draft revision to the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX STAN 210-1999): Revision of Fatty Acid Composition and Other Quality Factors of Peanut Oil

(Prepared by the Electronic Working Group led by Argentina)

(At Step 3)

Governments and interested international organizations are invited to submit comments on the proposed draft revision to the standard as presented in Appendix I, at Step 3, by 9 January 2017.

should be submitted through the Codex online Commenting (OCS): System https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/ as stipulated in CL 2016/43 - FO.

### Background<sup>1</sup>

- At the 24th Session of the Codex Committee on Fats and Oils (CCFO24), the Delegation of Argentina explained that the fatty acid profiles and other parameters (iodine value and relative density) for peanut oils (arachis oil or groundnut oil) contained in the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX STAN 210-1999) presently excluded peanut oils obtained from new varieties whose fatty acid profiles were different.
- 2. The Delegation pointed out that this was an obstacle to trade and that the market did not distinguish between the oils derived from new varieties and traditional varieties.
- 3. CCFO24 agreed to request CAC38 to approve new work on the revision of the fatty acid composition and other quality factors of peanut oil in the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX STAN 210-1999) and to forward the project document to the Executive Committee for critical review.
- An electronic working group (eWG) led by Argentina and working in English only was established to analyze the amendment to Sections 3 and 4 of Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX STAN 210-1999) in relation to the limits for palmitic acid, oleic acid, linoleic acid, linolenic acid, arachidic acid, eicosenoic acid and erucic acid as well as other quality parameters including iodine values and relative density.
- Argentina invited members and observer organizations interested in participating in the EWG and sent a proposal. The list of eWG participants is attached as Appendix II to this document.

### **Discussion in the Working Group**

- Comments and analytical data were received from Argentina, India, the Netherlands and the EU Vegetable Oil and Protein meal Federation (FEDIOL). On April 26th 2016, a second draft that took into account comments and data received was circulated to the eWG members.
- Comments on the second draft document were received from Ghana, India, the Netherlands, the 7. United States and FEDIOL.
- Most members of the eWG agreed with the proposal, so that a general consensus could be reached.

### **Conclusion and recommendation**

The eWG concluded its work on proposed draft revision to the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX STAN 210-1999): revision of fatty acid composition and other quality factors of peanut oil and the draft is hereby presented for consideration by CCFO25 (Appendix I).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> REP15/FO; Paras 91, 97 and 98

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#### **APPENDIX I**

# Proposed draft revision to the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX STAN 210-1999): Revision of Fatty Acid Composition and Other Quality Factors of Peanut Oil

(At Step 3)

### Section 3.1 GLC ranges of fatty acid composition (expressed as percentages)

Table 1: Fatty acid composition of vegetable oils as determined by gas liquid chromatography from authentic samples[2] (expressed as percentage of total fatty acids) (see Section 3.1 of the Standard): Arachis oil

# (Proposed changes are written in **bold** and **underline**)

Fatty acids	Current values	Proposed values
C16:0	8.0-14.0	<u><b>5.0</b></u> -14.0
C16:1	ND-0.2	ND-0.2
C18:0	1.0-4.5	1.0-4.5
C18:1	35.0-69	35.0- <u><b>80</b></u>
C18:2	12.0-43.0	<b>4.0</b> -43.0
C18:3	ND-0.3	ND- <u><b>0.5</b></u>
C20:0	1.0-2.0	<b>0.7</b> -2.0
C20:1	0.7-1.7	0.7- <u><b>3.2</b></u>
C20:2	ND	ND
C22:0	1.5-4.5	1.5-4.5
C22:1	ND-0.3	ND- <u><b>0.55</b></u>
C22:2	ND	ND
C24:0	0.5-2.5	0.5-2.5
C24:1	ND-0.3	ND-0.3

Table 2: Chemical and physical characteristics of crude vegetable oils (see Appendix of the Standard): Arachis

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	Current value	Proposed value
Relative density	0.912 - 0.920 x=20°C	<u>0.909</u> - 0.920 x=20°C
lodine value	86-107	<u>77</u> -107

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# Appendix II

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