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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD ADDITIVES AND CONTAMINANTS Thirty-fifth Session Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania, 17 - 21 March 2003

ENDORSEMENT AND/OR REVISION OF MAXIMUM LEVELS FOR CONTAMINANTS IN CODEX STANDARDS

BACKGROUND

1. In accordance with the section concerning Relations between Commodity Committees and General Committees in the *Codex Alimentarius Commission Procedural Manual* (Twelfth Edition, pages 84-85), "All provisions in respect of contaminants contained in Codex commodity standards should be referred to the Codex Committee on Food Additives and Contaminants".

2. No maximum levels for contaminants have been submitted for endorsement since the 34th Session of the Codex Committee on Food Additives and Contaminants.