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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

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PROPOSAL ON REVISION OF THE GENERAL STANDARD FOR THE LABELLING OF PREPACKAGED FOODS (CODEX STAN 1-1985): DATE MARKING

(Prepared by the United States of America)

Current Wording in Section

(vii) Notwithstanding 4.7.1(i) and 4.7.1(ii), a date mark shall not be required for a food if one or more of the following criteria apply

1. Where safety is not compromised and quality does not deteriorate

1.1 because of the preservative nature of the food is such that it cannot support microbial growth (e.g. alcohol, salt, acidity, low water activity); and/or

1.2 under stated storage conditions;

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Proposed New Wording

(vii) Notwithstanding 4.7.1(i) and 4.7.1(ii), a date mark shall not be required for a food if one or more of the following criteria apply

1. Where safety is not compromised and quality does not deteriorate because the preservative nature of the food is such that it cannot support microbial growth (e.g. alcohol, salt, acidity, low water activity) under stated storage conditions