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Comments of the Republic of Korea

Agenda Item 4b

Review of the Standard for Follow-up Formula (CODEX STAN 156-1987)

– Scope, product definition, labelling

Recommendation 15:

Comments:

The Republic of Korea suggests that products for older infants and young children shall be declared by the day, month and year regardless of shelf-life.

The “**Best Before Date**” or “**Best Quality Before Date**” shall be declared by the day, month and year except that for products with a shelf-life of more than three months, [at least] the month and year [shall be declared].

Rationale:

1 day and 30 days differ greatly in terms of shelf-life. Food consumption past the expiration date may have a worse effect on the health of infants and children. Products for older infants and young children should be marked by the day not the month to ensure food safety, even if they have a shelf-life of more than three months.

Recommendation 18:

Comments:

*The Republic of Korea supports the name **Formulated drink for young children** for product for the 12 – 36 months age group.*

Recommendation 19:

Comments:

The Republic of Korea supports the structure of two separate standards (option 2).

Agenda Item 8

Proposed draft Claim for “free” of Trans Fatty Acids

Comments:

The Republic of Korea is concerned that the current analytical methods do not measure the proposed TFA level in all foods.