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Agenda Item 1

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

| Agenda Item | Subject Matter | Doc. Reference No. |
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| 1 | Adoption of the Agenda | CX/CF 21/14/1 |
| 2 | Matters referred to the Committee by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and/or its subsidiary bodies | CX/CF 21/14/2 |
| 3 | Matters of interest arising from FAO and WHO including the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives | CX/CF 21/14/3 |
| 4 | Matters of interest arising from other international organizations | CX/CF 21/14/4 |
| Industrial, environmental and other naturally occurring toxicants | | |
| 5 | Maximum level for cadmium in chocolates containing or declaring <30% total cocoa solids on a dry matter basis (at Step 7) | REP19/CF-Appendix III |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comments at Step 6 in reply to CL 2019/81-CF and comments in reply to CL 2020/50/OCS-CF | CX/CF 21/14/5 CX/CF 21/14/5-Add.1 |
| 6 | Maximum levels for cadmium in chocolates containing or declaring ≥30% to <50% total cocoa solids on a dry matter basis and cocoa powder (100% total cocoa solids on a dry matter basis) (at Step 4) | CX/CF 21/14/6 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comments at Step 3 in reply to CL 2021/11/OCS-CF | CX/CF 21/14/6-Add.1 |
| 7 | Code of practice for the prevention and reduction of cadmium contamination in cocoa beans (at Step 4) | CX/CF 21/14/7 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comments at Step 3 in reply to CL 2021/12/OCS-CF | CX/CF 21/14/7-Add.1 |
| 8 | Maximum levels for lead in certain food categories (at Step 4) | CX/CF 21/14/8 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comments at Step 3 in reply to CL 2021/13/OCS-CF | CX/CF 21/14/8-Add.1 |
| 9 | Revision of the <i>Code of Practice for the prevention and reduction of lead contamination in foods</i> (CXS 56-2004) (at Step 4) | CX/CF 21/14/9 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comments at Step 3 in reply to CL 2021/14/OCS-CF | CX/CF 21/14/9-Add.1 |

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| Toxins | | |
| 10(a) | Maximum levels for total aflatoxins in certain cereals and cereal-based products including foods for infants and young children (at Step 4) | CX/CF 21/14/10-Part I |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments at Step 3 in reply to CL 2021/15/OCS-CF | CX/CF 21/14/10-Add.1 |
| 10(b) | Sampling plans and performance criteria for total aflatoxins in certain cereals and cereal-based products including foods for infants and young children | CX/CF 21/14/10-Part II |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments in reply to CL 2020/60/OCS-CF | CX/CF 21/14/10-Add.2 |
| 11 | Maximum level for total aflatoxins in ready-to-eat peanuts and associated sampling plan (Held at Step 4) | REP18/CF, para. 115 Appendix VII REP19/CF, paras. 16, 80 REP18/EXEC2-Rev.1, para.23 |
| 12 | Maximum levels for total aflatoxins and ochratoxin A in nutmeg, dried chili and paprika, ginger, pepper and turmeric and associated sampling plans (Held at Step 4) | REP18/CF, para. 119 Appendix VIII REP19/CF, para. 81 |
| Discussion Papers | | |
| 13 | Methylmercury in fish: | CX/CF 21/14/11 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum levels for additional fish species • Sampling plans • Other risk management recommendations | |
| 14 | Hydrogen cyanide and mycotoxin contamination in cassava and cassava-based products | CX/CF 21/14/12 |
| 15 | Cadmium and lead in quinoa | CX/CF 21/14/13 |
| 16 | Radioactivity in feed and food (including drinking water) in normal circumstances | CX/CF 21/14/14 |
| General Issues | | |
| 17 | Guidance on data analysis for development of maximum levels and for improved data collection | CX/CF 21/14/15 |
| 18 | Approach to identify the need for revision of standards and related texts developed by CCCF | CX/CF 21/14/16 |
| 19 | Forward work-plan for CCCF: | CX/CF 21/14/17 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of staple food-contaminant combinations for future work of CCCF • Project plan for the evaluation of implementation of COPs of CCCF | |
| 20 | JECFA evaluations: | CX/CF 21/14/18 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priority list of contaminants for evaluation by JECFA • Follow-up work to the outcomes of JECFA evaluations | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments in reply to CL 2020/24-CF (priority list) | CX/CF 21/14/18-Add.1 |
| 21 | Other business and future work | |
| 22 | Date and place of next session | |
| 23 | Adoption of the report | |

INFORMATION DOCUMENTS

Document for information and use in discussions related to contaminants (Doc. Ref. CF/14 INF/1): An updated version of the document for information and use to support discussions on contaminants during the Session will be made available.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

General Note: All working documents that were available in 2020 for further development by the electronic working groups based on comments submitted in reply to circular letters are available on the Codex website as follows:

- <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/extra/cccf14-2020/en/>

All circular letters relevant to the Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods are available on the Codex website as follows:

- <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/committees/committee/related-circular-letters/en/?committee=CCCF>

Agenda Item 5 – Maximum Level for cadmium in chocolates containing or declaring <30% total cocoa solids on a dry matter basis in CAC42 (at Step 7): This agenda item should be considered in the framework of the discussions and recommendations of CCCF13 (2019) and CAC42 (2019); comments requested through CL 2019/81-CF and CL 2020/50/OCS-CF; replies as compiled in CX/CF 21/14/5 and CX/CF 21/14/5-Add.1 respectively; and the findings of the relevant JECFA evaluations as summarized in CX/CF 21/14/3.

Agenda Item 6 – Maximum Levels for cadmium for remaining categories of chocolates and cocoa-derived products (at Step 4): This agenda item should be considered in the framework of the discussions and recommendations of CCCF13 (2019); the conclusions and recommendations proposed by the Electronic Working Group led by Ecuador as presented in CX/CF 21/14/6; comments submitted in reply to CL 2021/11/OCS-CF as compiled in CX/CF 21/14/6-Add.1; the findings of relevant JECFA evaluations as summarized in CX/CF 21/14/3; and the outcomes of the discussion under Agenda Item 5.

Agenda Items 11 and 12 – Maximum levels held at Step 4: CCCF12 (2018) held these maximum levels to ensure the implementation of the respective codes of practice and to resume work in three years time based on new / additional data / information submitted to GEMS/Foods. CCCF13 (2019) reconfirmed these decisions. In considering the decision on the maximum level for total aflatoxins in ready-to-eat peanuts during the Critical Review, CCEXEC75 recommended that the Committee accelerate the process to finalize the maximum level and sampling plan for this contaminant / commodity combination. CCCF14 should consider the re-establishment of the electronic working groups to update the discussion papers in light of the new / additional data / information available to prepare proposals for consideration by CCCF15 (2022).

Agenda Item 21: This item remains on the agenda for completeness. However, no other business nor future work will be considered at this Session.