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(Comments from Chile)

CHILE

Regarding to the recommendations raised in the reference document, Chile would like to emphasize the one stipulated in point c), which mentions that the 12-month period granted to evaluate the applicability of the standard was insufficient, since it did not allow to demonstrate the impact of the entry into force of the Fish Oil Standard, CODEX STAN 329-2017.

It should be noted that after closing the comment period of the circular letter, we continued gathering background, which shows that at present the use of fatty acid profiles as a support tool to verify the authenticity of the oil and is only from value if it is confirmed with tracking the traceability of the product. In the trade of oils, both traceability and authenticity are two key aspects. The traceability allows a better control of the quality of the oil and authenticity represents an important tool in the fight against food fraud, caused in most cases by the mixture of oils.

In line with the above, Chile requests the CCFO to extent the consultation period, by issuing a new circular letter addressed to Codex Members and Observers, which allows monitoring of the application of this Codex standard, and in turn incorporates new available background, to be presented at the 28th Meeting of the CCFO (2023).