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TO: Codex Contact Points
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FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission, Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

SUBJECT: **Distribution of the Report of the 22nd Session of the Codex Committee on Fats and Oils (REP11/FO)**

A. MATTERS FOR ADOPTION BY THE 34th SESSION OF THE COMMISSION:

Draft Guidelines Step 8 and Steps 5/8 of the Procedure

1. Draft Amendment to the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils: Inclusion of Palm Kernel Olein and Palm Kernel Stearin (para. 30, Appendix II).
2. Code of Practice for the Storage and Transport of Edible Fats and Oils in Bulk: Draft Criteria to Assess the Acceptability of Substances for Inclusion in a List of Acceptable Previous Cargoes (para. 40, Appendix III).
3. Code of Practice for the Storage and Transport of Edible Fats and Oils in Bulk: Draft List of Acceptable Previous Cargoes (para. 51, Appendix IV)
4. Code of Practice for the Storage and Transport of Edible Fats and Oils in Bulk: Proposed Draft List of Acceptable Previous Cargoes (para. 47, Appendix V)

Governments and interested international organizations wishing to comment on the above document, should do so in writing, in conformity with the *Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts* (Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius Commission), to the above address, before **15 May 2011**.

B. REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND INFORMATION

Reference to acceptance voluntary application in Codex Standards

The Committee agreed to circulate for further comments the following alternative statements for inclusion in all standards for fats and oils:

These quality and composition factors are supplementary to the essential, composition, and quality factors of the standard. A product that does not meet these supplementary factors may still be considered to conform to the standard.

OR

These quality and composition factors are supplementary information to the essential, composition and quality factors of the standard. A product which meets the essential quality and composition factors but does not meet these supplementary factors is deemed to conform to the standard

The Committee further agreed that the Circular Letter would ask for comments on the integration of provisions currently in Table 3 (desmethylsterols) and Table 4 (tocopherols and tocotrienols) of the Appendix in the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils into the main body of the standard for further consideration at the next session (paras 13 – 14).

Governments and interested international organizations wishing to comment on the above matter, should do so in writing, in conformity with the *Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts* (Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius Commission), to the above address, before **15 December 2011**.