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**Agenda Item 3(b)**

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## JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

### CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD ADDITIVES

#### Fifty-second Session

#### PROPOSED DRAFT SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE IDENTITY AND PURITY OF FOOD ADDITIVES ARISING FROM THE 91<sup>ST</sup> JECFA MEETING

##### Comments at Step 3

(Replies to CL 2021/57/OCS-FA of Australia, Cuba, Egypt, Kenya, Malaysia, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, ISA, ISC)

##### Background

1. This document compiles comments received in response to CL 2021/57/OCS-FA issued in July 2021 with a deadline of 20 August 2021.
2. Annex I contains the comments received through Codex Online Commenting System (OCS).

##### Explanatory notes on the appendix

3. The comments submitted are hereby attached as **Annex I** and are presented in table format.

**Comments on the Step 3 on the Proposed draft Specifications for the Identity and Purity of Food Additives****General Comments**

<b>General Comment</b>	<b>Member/Observer</b>
Australia has no comments concerning the document presented for comments.	<b>Australia</b>

**Specific comments**

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Cuba en principio apoya lo descrito en el Anteproyecto de especificaciones derivadas de la 91ª Reunión del JECFA.	<b>Cuba</b>
Egypt supports the proposed Draft Specifications for the Identity and Purity of Food Additives arising from the 91st JECFA Meeting with no comments, and we recommend this proposal for adoption by CAC44.	<b>Egypt</b>
Kenya supports the advancement of the proposed specifications for Steviol glycosides	<b>Kenya</b>
Malaysia has no objection to the recommendation for CCFA52 to forward for adoption of the specification for food additives designated as 'Full' by the CAC 44.	<b>Malaysia</b>
Panama appreciates the work done, we wish to express agreement with the preliminary draft, we recommend its advance to the next stages. Panamá agradece el trabajo realizado, deseamos expresar estar de acuerdo con el anteproyecto, recomendamos su avance a las siguientes etapas.	<b>Panama</b>
Paraguay esta de acuerdo con las (R) especificaciones revisadas del Anexo 1 y el Anexo 2, asimismo no tenemos objeciones con las (N) nuevas especificaciones correspondientes al Anexo 3 y Anexo 4	<b>Paraguay</b>
Perú apoya el anteproyecto de especificaciones derivadas de la 91.ª reunión del JECFA tal como está.	<b>Peru</b>
The International Sweeteners Association (ISA) would like to support the adoption at step 3 of the draft Specifications for the Identity and Purity of Food Additives arising from the 91st JECFA Meeting. In particular ISA supports, as mentioned in CX/FA 21/52/4 Add.2, Annex 1, the adoption as FULL of the revised and new specifications for steviol glycosides as proposed at the JECFA 91st meeting (Monographs 26, Rome, 2021): Specifications for steviol glycosides produced by different production methods were included as annexes, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annex 1: Steviol Glycosides from Stevia rebaudiana Bertoni (revised from the specifications monograph for Steviol glycosides from Stevia rebaudiana Bertoni (INS 960a) prepared at the 84th JECFA)</li> <li>Annex 2: Steviol Glycosides from Fermentation (revised from the specifications for Rebaudioside A from multiple gene donors expressed in Yarrowia lipolytica (INS 960b(i)) prepared at the 82nd JECFA to include other steviol glycosides from Saccharomyces cerevisiae)</li> </ul>	<b>ISA</b>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Annex 3: Enzyme Modified Steviol Glycosides (new specifications)</li><li>• Annex 4: Enzyme Modified Glucosylated Steviol Glycosides (new specifications)</li></ul>	
<p>The International Stevia Council (ISC) wishes to provide its submission on the CL 2021/57 OCS FA: Request for Comments at Step 3 on the proposed draft Specifications for the Identity and Purity of Food Additives arising from the 91st JECFA Meeting and more specifically on the document CX/FA 21/52/4 Add.2, Annex 1.</p> <p>ISC has no comments on the specifications for steviol glycosides as in the CL 2021/57 OCS FA and as per published JECFA Monograph 26 – 2021.</p> <p>ISC supports the recommendation of JECFA for the adoption by CCFA 52 of the full specifications in the modular monograph or framework for Steviol Glycosides (as listed in Annex 1 of the CX/FA 21/52/4 Add. 2), with the view of recommending their adoption by CAC 44 as Codex Specifications.</p>	<b>ISC</b>