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REVISION OF THE CLASSIFICATION OF FOOD AND FEED: COMPARISON OF THE GUIDELINES ON PORTION OF COMMODITIES TO WHICH MRLs APPLY AND WHICH IS ANALYZED (CXG41-1993) WITH THE CLASSIFICATION OF FOOD AND FEED (CXA-4-1989)

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and co-chaired by the Netherlands)

Codex members and observers wishing to submit comments on this document should do so as instructed in CL 2023/35-PR available on the Codex webpage¹.

BACKGROUND

1. Please refer to CX/PR 23/54/8, paragraphs 1-6 for background information on the consideration of this matter at CCPR53 (2022).

DISCUSSION

5. The EWG considered the term of reference with the discussions summarized as follows: Germany noted that commodities with small seeds are not addressed in group 005, Assorted tropical and sub-tropical fruits – edible peel. Germany also noted that bananas are better solved in CXG 41, while the rest is better solved in CXA 4. This position regarding bananas was also supported by Costa Rica, France, and Thailand.

Germany, Saudi Arabia, Ecuador, Australia, France, and India all supported that the revised classification should be the basis for the portion of the commodity to which the MRL applies (and which is analysed).

CONCLUSIONS

6. Consensus was reached that *Classification of Food and Animal Feed* (CXA 4-1989) should take precedence over *Guidelines on portion of commodities to which MRLs apply and which is analyzed* (CXG 41-1993) and that the changes to the Classification as indicated in CX/PR 23/54/8, paragraph 11, concerning Group 006 – Assorted tropical and sub-tropical fruits (inedible peel) and Group 023 Oilseeds and oilfruits should be implemented.

RECOMMENDATIONS

7. This document should be read in conjunction with CX/PR 23/54/8 (Agenda Item 7c).
8. CCPR is invited to consider changes to *Classification of Food and Animal Feed* (CXA 4-1989) for Group 006 – Assorted tropical and sub-tropical fruits (inedible peel) and Group 023 - Oilseeds and oilfruits as shown in CX/PR 23/54/8, paragraph 11, taking into account the discussion and conclusions above as well as comments submitted by Codex members and observers in reply to the circular letter and subsequently recommend the revocation of the *Guidelines on portion of commodities to which MRLs apply and which is analyzed* (CXG-41-1993).

¹ Codex webpage/Circular Letters:
<http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/>.

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