



Agenda Item 2

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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME CODEX COMMITTEE ON FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

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MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION AND OTHER CODEX COMMITTEES

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 39TH SESSION OF THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION (CAC39)

Matters for information

Adoption of Standards¹

1. CAC39 adopted:
 - the proposed draft standard for aubergines at Step 5 noting that the development for the standard was ahead of schedule and there was still sufficient time to deal with the technical issues raised at the Commission.
 - the proposed draft standards for garlic and kiwifruit at Step 5.
2. CAC39 noted that technical issues raised in relation to the above standards would be addressed by CCFV when finalizing the standards.

Approval of new Work²

3. CAC39 approved the elaboration of a new standard for fresh dates.

Amendments to the Procedural Manual³

4. CAC39 agreed to adopt the amendment proposed by the Committee on Methods of Analysis (CCMAS) and endorsed by the Committee on General Principles (CCGP30) to the section on methods of analysis and sampling of the Format for Codex Commodity Standards (Section II: Elaboration of Codex Commodity Standards). The revised section requires that commodity standards includes the following wording: "For checking the compliance with this standard, the methods of analysis and sampling contained in the *Recommended Methods of Analysis and Sampling* (CODEX STAN 234-1999) relevant to the provisions in this standard, shall be used".
5. The amendment would not imply the automatic removal of methods of analysis and sampling currently contained in Codex standards. The removal of methods of analysis and sampling from commodity standards would be done as the review and updating of CODEX STAN 234-1999 progress and inconsistencies and other pending issues are resolved.

MATTERS ARISING FROM OTHER SUBSIDIARY BODIES

A. Matters for information

48th Session of the Committee on Food Additives (CCFA48)

Alignment of the Food Additive Provisions of Commodity Standards and Relevant Provisions of the *General Standard for Food Additives* (CODEX STAN 192-1995) (GSFA)⁴

6. CCFA48 agreed to develop guidelines for commodity committees to undertake work on alignment of the food additive provisions of commodity standards and relevant provisions of the GSFA.

¹ REP16/CAC paras 21, 89 and 91, Appendix IV

² REP16/CAC para 97, Appendix VI

³ REP16/CAC Appendix II, REP16/MAS Appendix III

⁴ REP16/FA, para 52(ii) b)

38th Session of Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS38)Presentation of methods of analysis by committees⁵

7. CCMAS38 agreed to remind committees that when methods are submitted to CCMAS for endorsement, these methods should indicate also the principle as well as proposed typing for the methods.

Template for sampling plans⁶

8. During the endorsement of sampling plans in commodity standards, CCMAS38 agreed that it would develop templates to develop sampling plans in case Codex committees would like to develop sampling plans. Therefore, relevant committees would like to await developing sampling plans until such time CCMAS would provide the template(s).

B. Matters for action**71st Session of the Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CCEXEC71)**Standard for Aubergines⁷

9. CCEXEC71 recommended CCFFV to consider CCFL43 recommendation to amend section 6.1.1 and 6.2.2 to read "Name of Produce" in the context of its work on the Layout for Codex standards for fresh fruits and vegetables.

10. The Committee is **invited to consider** the recommendation under Agenda Item 9.

⁵ REP17/MAS, para 27

⁶ REP17/MAS, paras 14, 18, 24

⁷ REP17/EXEC, para 12(ii)