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Comments submitted by International Dairy Federation (IDF)

Agenda item 15: Discussion Paper on Review of the Code of Practice for the Reduction of Aflatoxin B1 in Raw Materials and Supplemental Feedingstuffs for Milk-producing Animals (CXC 45-1997)

The IDF welcomes the discussion paper and the proposed revision of the Code Of Practice For The Reduction Of Aflatoxin B1 In Raw Materials And Supplemental Feeding stuffs For Milk-Producing Animals (CXC 45-1997).

However, we want to bring to the attention of the Committee that the project document in Appendix 1 refers to 'animal-derived milk and milk products' (sections 2, 4 and 5). The use of this term implies that there are milk or milk products not derived from animals.

The Codex General Standard for the Use of the Dairy terms ([CXS 206-1999](#)) clearly defines milk as *the normal mammary secretion of milking animals obtained from one or more milkings without either addition to it or extraction from it, intended for consumption as liquid milk or for further processing*.

Therefore, milk and milk products are animal derived exclusively, and those terms are not necessary.

We respectfully request that those terms are removed from the project proposal and not carried over into the any revised CXC 45-1997, should the Committee agree to propose this new work to the Commission.

We also suggest that a footnote be added to the end of paragraph 4 of the project document referencing the definition of milk found in [CXS 206-1999](#). Such a footnote would reduce any potential confusion while clearly referencing the Codex definition of milk. We propose the footnote state the following:

For the purposes of this project document, "milk" and related dairy terms are defined consistent with the "Definitions" section of [CXS 206-1999](#).