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TO: Codex Contact Points

Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex

FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,

Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

SUBJECT: Request for comments at Step 3 on the Guidelines for monitoring the purity and stability of

reference materials and related stock solutions of pesticides during prolonged storage

DEADLINE: 5 May 2024

BACKGROUND

1. For background information, please refer to document CX/PR 24/55/61.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

- 2. Codex members and observers are invited to consider the proposed guidelines as set out in CX/PR 24/55/6 Appendix I as follows:
 - i. provide general and specific comments on the document (as a whole and on the different sections) including its readiness for advancement in the Step Procedure, and
 - ii. identify key issues or sections that may need further consideration or development in order to progress with the finalization of the proposed guidelines.
- 3. Appendix I is uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/. Comments provided through the OCS should follow the guidance provided in paragraphs 5-9.
- 4. Codex members and observers are encouraged to submit comments in reply to this CL² in order to facilitate the consideration of the proposed guidelines at the upcoming CCPR.

GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

- 5. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers using the OCS.
- 6. Contact Points of Codex members and observers may login to the OCS and access the document open for comments by selecting "Enter" in the "My reviews" page, available after login to the system.
- 7. Contact Points of Codex members and observers' organizations are requested to provide proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial, substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments or summary comments). Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)³.
- 8. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can also be found on the Codex website⁴.
- 9. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.

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¹ https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/detail/tr/?meeting=CCPR&session=55

² http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/

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³ http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/codexalimentarius/doc/OCS/Codex_OCS_FAQs_2017-11-06.pdf

⁴ https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/ocs/en/