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Comments of Sudan

Codex Committee for Food Labeling

Adoption at Step 8

Draft Revision of the General Standard for the Labeling of Prepackaged Foods: date marking, REP18/FL para 32

- a) Sudan Wish to support adoption of the draft revision according to the following
- b) The concerns on the issues of clarity and food intended for consumption within 24 hours which includes backed goods have been taken care of in the recommended draft revision of respective provision(s) of GSFLPF see (REP 18/FL) para 22 and 24. That is, exemptions would not apply if food safety is compromised. Under the same paragraph, the requirement provides flexibility for Competent Authorities to apply the criteria depending on their needs.
- c) The List is illustrative and complies with the recommended criteria for exemption from date marking in the draft. The list is important for manufacturers especially Small scale manufacturers in Sudan.

Codex Committee on Food Hygiene

Adoption at Step 5/8 Editorial amendment:

Editorial amendments to the Code of Hygienic Practice for Low-Moisture Foods (CXC 75-2015), REP18/FH para 6

Sudan wish to Support the adoption of the editorial changes to replace “aromatic herbs” by “culinary herbs” in the Code of Hygienic Practice for Low-Moisture Foods (CXC 75-2015).

The term “culinary herbs” is more appropriate to use as it reflects the mandate of the CCSC and specifically caters for hygiene provisions of standards developed CSH

Approval for new work

New work on guidance for the management of (micro) biological foodborne crises/outbreaks REP18/FH para 54

Sudan Supports the approval of the new work due to the following Rationale:

Food borne crisis/outbreaks have serious economic and health consequences. Guidance to manage food borne crisis/outbreaks will therefore be useful in minimizing the impact and incidences of food borne crisis/outbreaks. The document is also in line with one of the mandates of Codex Alimentarius Commission, which is the protection of public health and safety. The document will promote a coordinated management approach for handling foodborne crisis/outbreaks from a multi-sectorial level.

Codex Committee on Contaminants of food**Adoption at step 5**

Guidelines for risk analysis of instances of contaminants in food where there is no regulatory level or risk management framework established REP18/CF 124 (i) - (iii)

Sudan would like to support the decision to adopt the document at Step 5 for further drafting and comments

The guidelines are intended for chemicals not anticipated previously to be present in food but likely of very low public health concern and have potential impact on international trade. The guidelines are for application by governments.