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CODEX COMMITTEE ON METHODS OF ANALYSIS SAMPLING

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PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE *GENERAL GUIDELINES ON SAMPLING (CAC/GL 50-2004)*

(Comment submitted by European Union, Kenya, Peru, Ghana)

EUROPEAN UNION

The European Union and its Member States (EUMS) congratulate the eWG under the lead of New Zealand for producing this very comprehensive discussion paper, which is an excellent starting point for updating and revising CAC/GL 50-2004. It addresses well the Terms of Reference as set out by CCMAS37. As the volume of the proposed work is considerable, some prioritisation of the proposed work seems to be necessary and even then it appears that the assistance of external experts would be needed.

KENYA

Kenya would like to thank the EWG led by New Zealand for the discussion paper presented to the committee for comments. Given the weight and usefulness of sampling in analysis, Kenya supports the proposal for the new work to review the general Guidelines on sampling (CAC/GL 50-2004) as well as align the changes to GL 50 with other Codex documents dealing with sampling. We agree with the recommendations provided in clause 1.1. We also propose the expansion of the EWG in future for more inclusivity in the discussions.

PERU

Observaciones generales:

Perú en el marco del Codex Alimentarius tiene los siguientes comentarios generales al documento CX/MAS 17/38/9:

1. En relación con el Punto 4.2. GL 50: QUÉ REGULAN Y QUÉ NO REGULAN

3. Las Directrices GL 50 regulan:

b. el control del porcentaje de elementos defectuosos utilizando la inspección por atributos o variables, para productos a granel o en artículos individuales;

4. Las Directrices GL 50 no regulan:

d. los productos a granel o las situaciones que presentan un error de medición significativo.

Se considera necesario aclarar lo relacionado a productos a granel, dado que aparentemente los ítems 3b y 4d son contradictorios.

Observaciones específicas:

No se presentan.

GHANA

Ghana accepts the proposal for amendment of CAC/GL50-2004. This would ensure the provision of detailed sampling plan which is usable and more practical.