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Agenda Item 1

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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	d) Proposed Draft Codex Guidelines for the Quality Control of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables - Comments at Step 3	CL 2001/30-FFV CX/FFV 02/12
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EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- Item 1** **Adoption of the Provisional Agenda** (CX/FFV 02/1): The Committee will be invited to adopt the Provisional Agenda as its Agenda for the Session.
- Item 2(a)** **Matters of Interest to the Committee arising from the Codex Alimentarius Commission and other Codex Committees** (CX/FFV 02/2): Matters of interest arising from the 24th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Geneva, Switzerland, 2 – 7 July 2001) and other relevant Codex Committees are summarized in the working paper.
- Item 2(b)** **Matters of Interest related to the Standardization of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables arising from other International Organizations** (CX/FFV 02/3): Matters of interest arising from the Sessions of the *UN/ECE Specialized Section on Coordination of Standardization of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables* and the Sessions of the *Working Party on Standardization of Perishable Produce and Quality Development* as well as the *OECD Scheme for the Application of International Standards for Fruits and Vegetables* are summarized in the working paper.
- Item 2(c)** i. **UN/ECE Standard for Citrus Fruits (FFV-14)**
 ii. **UN/ECE Standard for Apples and Pears (FFV-01)**
 iii. **UN/ECE Standard for Table Grapes (FFV-19)**
 iv. **UN/ECE Standard for Tomatoes (FFV-36)** (CX/FFV 02/4)
- The UN/ECE standards for the above-mentioned produce are being circulated by the Codex Secretariat as directed by the 43rd Session of the Executive Committee, namely: “*The Executive Committee requested that relevant UN/ECE Standards be distributed as working documents for the Codex Committee on Fresh Fruits and Vegetables when like products were being considered*” (ALINORM 97/3, para. 15).
- Consideration of Draft Codex Standards at Step 7**
- Item 3(a)** **Draft Codex Standard for Cassava** (ALINORM 01/35-App.VII): The 49th Session of the Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Geneva, Switzerland, 26-27 September 2001) adopted the *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Cassava* at Step 5 and advanced it to Step 6. The CCEXEC noted that the inclusion of bitter varieties of cassava in the Proposed Draft could lead to excessive intake of cyanogenic glycosides and asked the CCFFV to take this into account. The *Draft Codex Standard for Cassava* is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 2001/39-FFV. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in working paper CX/FFV 02/5.
- Item 3(b)** **Draft Codex Standard for Pitahayas** (CX/FFV 02/6): The 9th CCFFV returned the *Draft Codex Standard for Yellow Pitahayas* to Step 6 for redrafting to include other coloured varieties of pitahayas traded internationally. The *Draft Codex Standard for Yellow Pitahayas* is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CX/FFV 02/6. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in working paper CX/FFV 02/6-Add.1.
- Item 3(c)** **Draft Codex Standard for Oranges, including Guide for Use in Scoring Freezing Injury (excluding Section 3 - Provisions concerning Sizing)** (CX/FFV 02/7): The 9th CCFFV returned the *Draft Codex Standard for Oranges including Guide for Use in Scoring Freezing Injury* to Step 6 for further consideration especially those related to sizing and maturity requirements of oranges and their green varieties. The Draft is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CX/FFV 02/7. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in working paper CX/FFV 02/7-Add.1.
- Item 3(d)** **Outstanding Provisions in Citrus Fruits being standardized by the Codex Committee on Fresh Fruits and Vegetables: Section 3 – Provisions concerning Sizing**
- i. **Draft Codex Standard for Oranges**
 ii. **Codex Standard for Limes**
 iii. **Codex Standard for Pummelos**
 iv. **Codex Standard for Grapefruits** (CX/FFV 02/8)
- In discussing the *Draft Codex Standard for Oranges including Guide for Use in Scoring Freezing Injury*, the 9th CCFFV agreed to set up a **Drafting Group on Sizing** to revise the sizing provisions of the *Draft Codex Standard for Oranges* as well as those outstanding provisions concerning sizing in the *Codex Standards for Limes, Pummelos* and *Grapefruits* with a view to their finalization by the 10th Session of the CCFFV. The proposed sizing scales for these produce, together with their current sizing provisions are being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CX/FFV 02/8. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in working paper CX/FFV 02/8-Add.1.

Consideration of Proposed Draft Codex Standards at Step 4

Item 4(a/b/c)

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| a) Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Apples | (CX/FFV 02/9) |
| b) Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Table Grapes | (CX/FFV 02/10) |
| c) Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Tomatoes | (CX/FFV 02/11) |

The 9th CCFFV returned the *Proposed Draft Codex Standards for Apples, Table Grapes and Tomatoes* to Step 2 for redrafting in view of the extensive comments received and account being taken of the corresponding UN/ECE Standards for these produce. The Proposed Drafts are being circulated for comments at Step 3 under CX/FFV 02/9, CX/FFV 02/10 and CX/FFV 02/11 respectively. Comments submitted at Step 3 are summarized in working papers CX/FFV 02/9-Add.1, CX/FFV 02/10-Add.1 and CX/FFV 02/11-Add.1 respectively.

Item 4(d) Proposed Draft Codex Guidelines for the Quality Control of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (CL 2001/30-FFV): The 9th CCFFV agreed to discontinue the consideration of the main body of the *Draft Code of Practice for the Quality Inspection and Certification of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables* since it was already covered by other texts elaborated by the Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems and informed the Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission accordingly. The Annexes of the Code were returned to Step 2 for redrafting as *Proposed Draft Codex Guidelines for the Quality Control of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables* since they were specific to the inspection and certification of fresh produce. The Proposed Draft Guidelines is being circulated for comments at Step 3 under CL 2001/30-FFV. Comments submitted at Step 3 are summarized in working paper CX/FFV 02/12.

Item 5 Food Labelling Provisions specific to Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (CL 2002/03-FFV): The 9th CCFFV noted that the Codex General Standard for the Labelling of Prepackaged Foods (CODEX STAN 1-1985, Rev. 1-1991) might not be applicable in all cases to the labelling of fresh fruits and vegetables. The Committee therefore agreed to request comments on the potential need to elaborate generic provisions for labelling specific to fresh produce for consideration at its next session. Comments on this topic is being requested under CL 2002/03-FFV and summarized in working paper CX/FFV 02/13.

Item 6 Proposals for Amendments to the Priority List for the Standardization of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (ALINORM 01/35-App.VIII): The Committee may propose the removal and/or inclusion of new fresh produce for future work taking into account the *Criteria for the Establishment of Work Priorities* (Codex Procedural Manual, 12th Edition, pages 60-61) and the work already done by other international standardization organizations in this field. The new work undertaken shall be approved by the 25th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Rome, Italy, 30 June – 5 July 2003). Comments submitted are summarized in working paper CX/FFV 02/14.

Item 7 Other Business and Future Work: The Committee may propose the inclusion of proposals for future work, subject to the approval of the Commission or its Executive Committee.

Item 8 Date and Place of the Next Session: The Committee will be advised of the tentative dates of the next session.

Item 9 Adoption of the Report: The Committee shall adopt the report of its 10th Session, based on a draft provided by the Codex Secretariat.

Note: The hard copies of the documents will be distributed by the Codex Secretariat. Working documents as prepared will be uploaded onto the Codex website. They can be downloaded and printed by accessing the following URL: <http://www.codexalimentarius.net/>

Delegates are kindly requested to bring with them to the meeting all documents which have been distributed, as the number of additional copies which can be made available at the meeting is limited.