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**JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME
CODEX COMMITTEE ON FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
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**COMMENTS ON PROPOSED LAYOUT FOR CODEX STANDARDS FOR FRESH FRUITS AND
VEGETABLES (OUTSTANDING ISSUES)**

(Comments submitted by Thailand)

Section 5 – PROVISIONS CONCERNING TOLERANCES

Option 1: 5.1.1 “Extra” Class and Option 2 – Classification /Tolerances

- Inclusion of tolerances for decay, soft rot and internal breakdown in "Extra" Class.
- Tolerance percentage of 1% of decay, soft rot and internal breakdown in "Extra" Class

We reiterate our position to maintain the exclusion of tolerance for decay, soft rot and internal breakdown in Extra Class.

In our view, "Extra" class produce must be of outstanding quality and its quality must be better than produce in other classes in order to justify the high price. Therefore, it is not justified to make allowance for decay, soft rot and internal breakdown in "Extra" class. The tolerances for decay, soft rot and internal breakdown in Class I and II should also be considered on a case by case basis depending on the characteristics of the produce being standardized.