

CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION



Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations



World Health
Organization

Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy - Tel: (+39) 06 57051 - E-mail: codex@fao.org - www.codexalimentarius.org

Agenda Items 7

CF/10 CRD 22
ORIGINAL LANGUAGE ONLY

JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME CODEX COMMITTEE ON CONTAMINANTS IN FOODS

Tenth Session
Rotterdam, The Netherlands, 4-8 April 2016
(Comments submitted by Dominican Republic)

The Dominican Republic proceeds to deliver the comments requested by the Working Group DRAFT CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE PREVENTION AND POLLUTION REDUCCIÓND E ARSENIC IN RICE

The Dominican Republic agrees with views expressed by the President and Co-Chair of the electronic Working Group (Japan and China) for the preparation of the Draft Code of Practice for the prevention and reduction of arsenic contamination in rice, as the available data, submitted at the time by the countries is insufficient for carrying out a code of practice (COP) and we agree, that the CCCF should propose to postpone discussions until countries have conclusive evidence to present their research.

Therefore, Dominican Republic supported the first proposal made by the president and co-chair of the EWG:

1) As the information currently included in the draft CP is considered by the President and Co-President as insufficient for the realization of the COP, we think the EWG / CCCF should collect more information on effective and feasible measures. To collect sufficient information to proceed with the discussion and development, the CCCF should propose to postpone the discussion pending results of the studies described above. After all the results of the above studies are available (probably beby March 2019), the CCCF should resume its work on the topic at the meeting, [2019] [2020]”.