Comments on Draft One of the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition

World Trade Organization (WTO)

CURRENT VERSION

3.1.3 Instituting accountability mechanisms, monitoring and evaluation

b) States should ensure that multilateral and bilateral trade and investment agreements are consistent with nutrition, food and agriculture policies and favour the transition towards more sustainable food systems, assessing how the health, environmental, social and economic outcomes of food systems are likely to be affected. This should include an assessment of how competition will be impacted, and whether and how levels of concentrated market power will change.

Our suggestion: that you delete the sentence "This should include an assessment of how competition will be impacted, and whether and how levels of concentrated market power will change" since it is not clear what you are asking governments to do.

CURRENT VERSION

3.3.1 Improving physical access to nutritious food

d) States should improve the availability and access of the food supply through appropriate trade agreements and policies and ensure that such agreements and policies do not have a negative impact on the realization of the right to adequate food in other countries.

Our suggestion: replace the underlined portion with "and use such agreements to ensure the realization of the right to adequate food in other countries."