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SUMMARY OF THE TENTH SESSION OF THE CODEX COMMITTEE ON MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS (CCMMP10)

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CCMMP was adjourned *sine die* by the thirty-third session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC33) (2010), following its ninth session i.e. CCMMP9 (2010).

CAC37 (2014) reactivated CCMMP to work by correspondence, particularly to start new work on a standard for processed cheese. CAC38 (2015) further approved new work on a standard for dairy permeate powders to be developed by CCMMP.

From 2014 to 2017, CCMMP worked via email exchange, and through Electronic Working Groups (EWGs) and Physical Working Groups (PWGs), which regularly reported progress to CAC. These reports were included as annexes to Circular Letters (CLs).

CCMMP was then adjourned *sine die* by CAC40 in 2017 following the adoption of the standard for dairy permeate powders and the discontinuation of the work on the general standard for processed cheese.

For archival and record purposes, the work undertaken by CCMMP by correspondence during the period 2014 to 2017, as described in the table below, has been designated as CCMMP10.

TENTH SESSION OF THE CODEX COMMITTEE ON MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS (CCMMP10) (2014-2017)		
CAC session	Document reference	Explanatory notes
CAC37 (2014)	REP14/CAC paragraphs 108-112, Appendix VIII	CAC37 reactivated CCMMP to work by correspondence to start new work on a standard for processed cheese. CAC37 also established a Physical Working Group (PWG), led by New Zealand and co-chaired by Uruguay and working in English and Spanish, to prepare a proposed draft standard for circulation for comments at Step 3.
CAC38 (2015)	REP15/CAC paragraphs 77-85, 90-91, 97-98; Appendix IV; Appendix VI CL 2015/02-MMP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix I: Report of the Physical Working Group (PWG) on processed cheese • Appendix II: proposed draft general standard for processed cheese (at Step 3) • Appendix III: List of participants • Annex: general guidance for the provision of comments. 	The report of the PWG on the standard for processed cheese, including the draft standard, was circulated to all Members and Observers for comments. CAC38 adopted the general standard for processed cheese at Step 5. CAC38 also approved new work on a standard for dairy permeate powders to be developed. The Commission agreed to establish an EWG, led by Denmark, and working in English only, to prepare the proposed draft Standard for circulation at Step 3. The proposed draft Standard and comments submitted at Step 3 would be considered by a PWG, led by Denmark and working in English, French and Spanish.

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	<p>CL 2015/15-MMP</p> <p>Proposed draft general standard for processed cheese (CCMMP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annex I: draft standard (at Step 5) • Annex II: Report and recommendations arising from CL 2015/2-MMP: proposed draft general standard for processed cheese • Annex III: general guidance for the provision of comments. <p>CL 2015/22-MMP</p> <p>Draft general standard for processed cheese (CCMMP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annex I: draft standard (at Step 6) • Annex II: general guidance for the provision of comments. <p>CL 2015/34-MMP</p> <p>Draft general standard for processed cheese (CCMMP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix I: draft standard (at Step 6) • Appendix II: Report of the PWG on the general standard for processed cheese • Annex: List of participants <p>CL 2015/28-MMP</p> <p>Request for comments at Step 3 on the proposed draft standard for dairy permeate powders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annex I: draft standard (at Step 3) • Annex II: report of the electronic working group (EWG) on the proposed draft standard for dairy permeate powders • Annex III: general guidance for the provision of comments. 	<p>CAC38 further agreed to postpone discussion on the food additives provisions included in the Standard for mozzarella (CXS 262-2006) to CAC39 (2016).</p>
CAC39 (2016)	REP16/CAC paragraphs 197-199	CAC39 agreed to discuss the general standard for processed cheese at CAC40 (2017), noting the offer of New Zealand as host country of CCMMP to collate any substantial new ideas provided by members in the interim.

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		CAC39 also agreed to discuss the food additives provisions included in the Standard for mozzarella at CAC40 (2017).
CAC40 (2017)	REP17/CAC paragraphs 51-54, 124-129, 130-134, 208	<p>CAC40 adopted the standard for dairy permeate powders at Step 8.</p> <p>The Commission also approved the discontinuation of the work on the development of the general standard for processed cheese</p> <p>Regarding the Standard for mozzarella, the Commission agreed to request CCFA to address only the technological justification of the use of preservatives and anticaking agents for surface treatment of mozzarella with high moisture content in the framework of the alignment work of food additive provisions of CCMMP standards and those of the GSFA.</p> <p>The Commission further agreed to adjourn <i>sine die</i> CCMMP following the adoption of the Standard for dairy permeate powders and the discontinuation of work on the general standard for processed cheese.</p>