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TO: Codex Contact Points
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FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,
Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

SUBJECT: Request for Comments on the Amendments to CCASIA Regional Standards (CODEX STAN 298R-2009, CODEX STAN 306R-2011, CODEX STAN 322R-2015)

DEADLINE: 15 June 2017

BACKGROUND

- The 20th Session of the FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Asia (CCASIA20) agreed to:
 - Replace the list of methods of analysis of the *Regional Standard for Tempe* (CODEX STAN 313R-2013) with the standardised wording adopted by CAC 39.
 - Remove the provision for potassium chloride (INS 508) and include a provision for tocopherols (INS 307 a,b,c) at maximum level of 200 mg/kg in *Regional Standard for Non-Fermented Soybean Products* (CODEX STAN 322R-2015).
 - Remove calcium hydrogen sulfite (INS 227) and potassium bisulfite (INS228) from the *Regional Standard for Chilli Sauce* (CODEX STAN 306R-2011).
- CCASIA20 forwarded the amendments to CAC40 for adoption and endorsement by CCFA as appropriate ([REP17/ASIA](#), paras 52, 55, 58 and Appendix III, parts 1-3).

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

- Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments on the proposed amendments to the above mentioned CCASIA regional standards, which are uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/>, as per the general guidance below.

GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

- Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers using the OCS.
- Contact Points of Codex members and observers may login to the OCS and access the document open for comments by selecting "Enter" in the "My reviews" page, available after login to the system.
- Contact Points of Codex members and observers organizations are requested to provide proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial, substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments).
- At the end of the commenting period, the Codex Secretariat will compile comments in relevant working document for CAC40 (2017) using the system.
- Additional guidance on the OCS can be found on the Codex website: <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/ocs/en/>.
- For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.