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SUBJECT	Request for comments on the relevant provisions for sweeteners associated with Note 161	
DEADLINE	10 June 2021	
COMMENTS	То:	Copy to:
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## BACKGROUND

1. After publishing CX/FA 20/52/9, CCFA 52 has been rescheduled to September 2021 due to the Covid 19 pandemic. The Electronic Working Group (EWG) on Note 161 has been continuing their work, and the Report of the EWG has been developed as CX/FA 21/52/9, which is the replacement of CX/FA 20/52/9. Background information is available in CX/FA 21/52/9.

- 2. A virtual Working Group meeting on Note 161 scheduled on Friday 25 June will consider CX/FA 21/52/9.
- 3. Guidelines for comments is provided in Annex I.

## **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

4. In order to facilitate the discussion of the virtual Working Group meeting on Note 161, Codex Members and Observers are invited to provide their general comment on recommendation 1-4<sup>1</sup> and their specific comments on Appendix I.

5. It should be noted that all comments submitted within the EWG are accessible through the hyperlinks contained in CX/FA 21/52/9. Codex Members and Observers are encouraged to provide comments which have not yet been considered by the EWG.

6. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Point or recognized international organizations having granted observer status with the Codex Alimentarius Commission. Comments should be formulated in accordance with the relevant general guidelines and presented in a Word file for easy analysis and compilation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CX/FA 21/52/9 para 6

## Annex I

## GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR COMMENTS

1. In order to facilitate the collection of comments and to prepare a useful document with all of them, Members and Observers are kindly requested to submit comments under the following headings:

(I) General comments

(II) Specific comments

2. In specific comments, a reference to the provision of the document in question should be included.

3. Members and Observers are requested, when proposing amendments to specific provisions, to accompany their proposed amendment with the appropriate technical basis.

4. In order to facilitate the work of the Secretariats, we kindly ask you to avoid texts with colors or shading, nor to use the change control, since the documents are printed in black and white, and the marks usually disappear when copying and pasting the comments in the compiled document.

5. Members and Observers are requested to avoid reproducing the full document, but only those parts of the text in which changes and / or amendments are proposed.