TO: Codex Contact Points
Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex

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

SUBJECT: Request for comments on the Rules for the selection of Type II methods from multiple Type III methods

DEADLINE: 30 June 2022

BACKGROUND
1. For background information please refer to REP21/MAS, para. 119 and Appendix V.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS
2. Codex members and observers are invited to provide comments on Rules for the selection of Type II methods from multiple Type III methods which are uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/, as per the guidance below. When commenting, consideration should be given to the discussion at CCMAS41 (see REP 21/MAS, paras 112 – 118) and to note in particular that the rules should be read in conjunction with the existing Principles for the Establishment of Codex Methods of Analysis (Codex Procedural Manual); and that they are aimed at assisting the process of selection of a Type II method from multiple Type III methods.

GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS
3. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers using the OCS.
4. 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.
5. Other OCS resources, including Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), as well as the user manual and short guide, can be found at the following link: http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/.
6. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.