MULTILATERAL RELATIONS IN CODEX IN LIGHT OF THE CURRENT SITUATION IN UKRAINE

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• Norway has been a committed member of the Codex Alimentarius Commission since the foundation in 1963, we continue supporting the core values and the commitment of members to work together with mutual respect between countries in the Codex family.

• Norway condemns in the strongest possible terms the unprecedented military aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine. Let us express Norway’s concern for the severe destruction and human suffering this illegal act of aggression is causing.

• By its unprovoked, unjustified, and premeditated military actions, the Russian Federation is grossly violating international law - the core principles on which the international rules-based order is built, and the fundamental principles of the UN charter that has prevailed since the second world war. It is an attack towards what the UN stands for.

• We hereby express Norway’s full solidarity with Ukraine and the Ukrainian people.