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#### COMMENTS OF NIGERIA

#### AGENDA ITEM 4: PROPOSED DRAFT STANDARD FOR FISH OILS

Nigeria proposed the following editorial amendments on section 4 and 7.3 as follows:

##### 4. Food Additives

- i. Nigeria supports the proposal that the food additives section of the draft standard be forwarded to CCFA for consideration and endorsement.

##### Rationale

Endorsement of food additives are outside the scope of the CCFO.

- ii. Nigeria supports the amendment of “of” to “for” as illustrated below:

“Proposed change: Antioxidants, sequestrants, antifoaming agents, and emulsifiers used in accordance with Tables 1 and 2 of the Codex General Standard ~~of~~ **for** Food Additives (GSFA) (CODEX STAN 192-1995), in food category 02.1.3 Lard, tallow, fish oil, and other animal fats are acceptable for use in foods conforming to this standard.”

##### Rationale

Changes indicated reflect standard language used in referring to the GSFA.

- iii. Nigeria supports the editorial change below, in line with the Procedural Manual:

“The **use of** flavourings **used** in products covered by this standard should comply with the Guidelines for the Use of Flavourings (CAC/GL 66-2008)”

##### 7. Labelling

Nigeria recommends that the naming of flavoured oils be included in the labeling section.

“Where a fish oil has had flavouring added to it, the name of the oil shall be prefaced with “flavoured” or “naming the flavour”.

##### 7.3 Other labelling requirements

- i. Nigeria supports the second option as highlighted below:

~~{For fish liver oils (Sections 2.3 and 2.4) the content in vitamin A and vitamin D shall be given. —~~

~~Or—~~

**For fish liver oils (Sections 2.3 and 2.4) the content in vitamin A and vitamin D, naturally present or restored, shall be given if required by country of retail sale.}**

- ii. Nigeria supports the use of the word “may”:

The content of EPA and DHA ~~{shall/ may}~~ be given for all fish oils covered by this Standard .

#### AGENDA ITEM 5: PROPOSED DRAFT REVISION TO THE STANDARD FOR OLIVE OILS AND OLIVE POMACE OILS (CODEX STAN 33-1981): REVISION OF THE LIMIT FOR CAMPESTEROL (CX/FO17/25/5)

Nigeria congratulates Argentina, Australia and Italy for the work done on the proposed draft standard and reiterates its support for the development of a revised Codex Standard for Olive Oils and Olive Pomace Oils.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: PROPOSED DRAFT REVISION OF THE STANDARD FOR NAMED VEGETABLE OILS (CODEX STAN 210-1999): ADDITION OF PALM OIL WITH HIGH OLEIC ACID (OXG)) (CX/FO 17/25/6)**

Nigeria supports proposal that palm oil containing 48-58% oleic acid be called "Palm Oil - Mid Oleic Acid and "not "Palm Oil - High Oleic Acid."

**Rationale:**

So that it will be consistent with ranges for percent oleic acid (C18:1) in mid and high oleic acid oil categories currently found in the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX

CX/FO 17/25/6 Add.1 3 STAN 210-1999),

**AGENDA ITEM 11 : DISCUSSION PAPER ON THE INCLUSION OF PROVISIONS FOR WALNUT OIL, ALMOND OIL, HAZELNUT OIL, PISTACHIO OIL, FLAXSEED OIL AND AVOCADO OIL IN THE STANDARD FOR NAMED VEGETABLE OILS (CODEX STAN 210-1999) (CX/FO 17/25/11**

Nigeria congratulates the electronic Working Group lead by Iran and expresses its support for the proposal to initiate new work to review the Named Vegetable Oils to include: walnut oil, pistachio oil, almond oil, hazelnut oil, avocado oil, and flaxseed oil (CODEX STAN 210-1999).