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General Statement

The UK appreciates the work on the review of methods of analysis for contaminants and for the opportunity to comment on the points raised.

Specific Points (no specific comments on points d and e)

- a. The UK can support the submission of Annex I for the inclusion of the performance criteria for lead and cadmium in the General Standard for Recommended Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CXS 234-1999).
- b. At the last CCMAS meeting, the committee confirmed the Codex standard for recommended methods of analysis and sampling (CXS 234-1999) should be used as the single reference for methods of analysis and sampling as requested by CCEXEC77. Therefore, it would seem appropriate to consider recommending the revocation of CXS-238-2001 as the methods have been captured in CXS-234-1999.
- c. Given the current format of the tables within CXS 234-1999, it may not be possible to remove methods from one table and add them to the other, unless the performance criteria table was updated to show typing for each method.
- d. No Specific comment.
- e. No Specific comment.