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CRITICAL REVIEW FOR THE ELABORATION OF CODEX STANDARDS

AND RELATED TEXTS

1) In accordance with the Uniform Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts, Part 2. Critical Review, paragraph 8, the texts submitted to the Commission for consideration for adoption should be examined:

- for consistency with the mandate of Codex, the decisions of the Commission, and existing Codex texts,
- to ensure that the requirements of the endorsement procedure have been fulfilled, where appropriate,
- for format and presentation, and
- for linguistic consistency.

2) The format included in the Strategic Plan 2008-2013 is used in the presentation of the critical review. The Job Identification Number provides information on standards and related texts that were approved as new work from 2004 onwards. As the Committee needs to know the date when new work was initiated for all standards and related texts under elaboration, the first column in the Table indicates either the Identification Number, or the year when new work was approved, or the year when work actually started, as applicable. The target year is the year by which the text is to be adopted at Step 8, as agreed by the Commission on the basis of the project document (from 2004 onwards), or the date specified by the Committee at another stage of the process, where applicable.

3) The output codes are specified in Part 2 of the Strategic Plan: 1.1: Review and develop Codex standards and related texts for food safety; 1.2: Review and develop Codex standards and related texts for food quality; 1.3: Review and develop Codex standards and related texts for food labelling and nutrition; 1.4: Review and develop Codex standards and related texts for food inspection and certification, and methods of sampling and analysis. The draft standards and related texts submitted to the Commission for adoption are listed in the following Tables with notes to draw the attention of the Executive Committee and the Commission to specific issues. The notes include the status of endorsement when applicable and only for relevant provisions. There are no comments when no specific problems exist as regards the criteria mentioned in the Critical Review or other related issues and when the texts proposed for adoption have been finalized by consensus in the Committee concerned.

4) The comments from Chairpersons or host countries of the committees concerned are included in the Tables. Comments received after the distribution of the present document will be presented as room documents.

5) This document should be read in conjunction with **CX/CAC 10/33/3** and **CX/CAC 10/33/3A** - List of Draft Standards and Related Texts Submitted to the Commission for Adoption and **CX/CAC 10/33/4** and **CX/CAC 10/33/4A** List of Proposed Draft Standards and Related Texts submitted at Step 5.

PART I - DRAFT STANDARDS AND RELATED TEXTS AT STEP 8

Committee and Document title	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
Codex Committee on Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (15th Session, 19-23 October 2009)						
Proposed Draft Standard for Bitter Cassava	N03-2005	2008	8	1.2	JECFA evaluated cyanogenic glycosides in 1992 and concluded that safe level of intake could not be estimated (lack of quantitative data)	<p>The 31st CAC (July 2008) returned the labelling section to Step 6 for comments, in particular on the preparation instructions, for consideration by the 15th CCFFV (2009) and endorsement by the 38th CCFL (May 2010) and held the other sections at Step 8 with a view to the final adoption as a single document.</p> <p>The 15th CCFFV finalized the labelling section by strengthening the preparation instructions to further ensure the safety* of the product and forwarded it to the 33rd CAC for final adoption. The Section was <u>endorsed by the CCFL</u> as proposed by CCFFV.</p> <p><i>* Cyanogenic glycosides were considered by 4th CCCF (April 2010) and continues on the priority list for evaluation by JECFA subject to availability of data in response to call for data.</i></p>
Draft Standard for Apples	1999		8	1.2		<p>The Standard is harmonized with the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Standard for Apples to the extent possible to accommodate Codex member needs and the format of Codex commodity standards for those provisions not dealing exclusively with quality.</p> <p><u>Labelling provisions:</u> Endorsed by the 38th CCFL as proposed by the CCFFV.</p> <p><u>Contaminants and Hygiene:</u> The provisions correspond to the standard text as set out in the Procedural Manual. For contaminants no reference is made to veterinary drugs as</p>

						recommended by the Commission for products of plant origin.
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee: Apples and Bitter Cassava have been finished.						

Codex Committee on Fish and Fishery Products (30th Session, 28 September - 2 October 2009)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
Draft Standard for Sturgeon Caviar	2003		8	1.1 1.2		CCFFP's 30 th session agreed to forward the Draft Standard to Step 8 for adoption. CCMAS: endorsed CCFH: endorsed CCFL: endorsed
Draft Code of Practice for Fish and Fishery Products (Lobsters and Crabs)	ongoing		8	1.1 1.2		The 31 st CAC (2008) returned the section on Lobsters in the Code of Practice to step 6 due to lack of consensus on the use of chlorine. CCFFP's 30 th session agreed to forward the Sections on Lobsters and Crabs and relevant definitions to step 8 for adoption. Due to the discussion on the use of chlorine, there is a subsequent need for amendment of Section 2.1 General definitions of the Code of Practice for Fish and Fishery Products. CCFH: endorsed Amendment to the definitions of "Clean Water" and "Microbiological Contamination" (Section 2.1 of the Code) are also proposed as consequential amendments.
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See explanatory notes above. • The CCEXEC discussed progress on all CCFFP items in its 63rd session (ALINORM 10/33/3, p.20) 						

- The 31st session of the CCFFP will be extended with one extra working day to facilitate progress on several items. The interval between the CCFFP's sessions is 18 months.

Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (31st Session, 2-6 November 2009)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
List of Methods for Dietary Fibre	1995		8	1.3 1.4		<p>The Provisions on Dietary Fibre in the Table of Conditions for Nutrient Contents (in the <i>Guidelines for Use of Nutrition and Health Claims</i> (CAC/GL 23-1997) were adopted by the 32nd CAC; The methods were returned to Step 6 by the 30th CCNFSDU and finalised by the 31st Session of the Committee.</p> <p>CCMAS endorsed the methods as Type IV and asked some further questions for consideration by the next CCNFSDU (1-5 November 2010). This may affect the type of the methods at a later stage but should not prevent their adoption.</p>
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						

Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (41st Session, 16-20 November 2009)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
Proposed Draft Annex on Leafy Green Vegetables Including Leafy Herbs to the Code of Hygienic Practice for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables	N04-2008	2012	5/8	1.1	FAO/WHO Expert Meeting on Microbiological hazards in fresh leafy vegetables and herbs. 5 – 9 May 2008 (JEMRA Series No. 14). Report of the FAO/WHO electronic discussion group held during august-september 2009 to assess	

					information available from 2007 -2009, to review the risk based criteria and the priority list of fresh produce commodities of greatest concern for global food safety	
Proposed Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for Pathogenic <i>Vibrio</i> spp. in Seafood	N05-2008	2012	5/8	1.1	JEMRA risk assessments on <i>Vibrio</i> spp. JEMRA Series Nos. 8, 9 and 16.	
Proposed Draft Annex on Control Measures for <i>Vibrio parahaemolyticus</i> and <i>Vibrio vulnificus</i> in Molluscan Shellfish to the Proposed Draft Code of Hygienic Practice for <i>Vibrio</i> spp. in Seafood	N05-2008	2012	5/8	1.1	Advice requested from FAO/WHO on predictive risk models. JEMRA meeting to held late 2010	
Comments by the Chairperson/ host country of the Committee:						

Codex Committee on Milk and Milk Products (9 th Session, 1-5 February 2010)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Draft Amendment to the Codex Standard for Fermented Milks Pertaining to Composite Fermented Milk Drinks	2003	2010	8	1.2		The labelling and the food additive sections were endorsed by the 38 th CCFL (2010) and the 40 th (2008) and 42 nd CCFA (2010) respectively.
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						
Draft amendment to the standard for fermented milks (CODEX STAN 243-2003) pertaining to drinks based on fermented milk						
The 9 th session of CCMMP finalised the draft amendment to the Standard for fermented milks, pertaining to drinks based on fermented milk and agreed to forward the draft amendment to the Commission for adoption at step 8. There was agreement in the Committee to set the minimum fermented milk content at 40% while						

noting the reservations of six countries.

The Committee considered proposals from Iran and Turkey for the inclusion of *ayran* and *doogh* as examples of drinks based on fermented milks and to further amend the standard to include their specific compositional requirements. The Committee did not support the proposal on the basis that it would be a disadvantage to more than 100 other traditional drinks based on fermented milk and these products did not fit in with the compositional criteria specified in the draft standard. CCMMP noted opportunities to consider the development of regional standards for these products.

Type of lycopene in the Standard for Fermented Milks

In response to the request from CCFA the Committee provided clarification on the type of lycopene in the Standard for Fermented Milks. CCFA subsequently revised the maximum level to a level more consistent with addition of pure lycopene, and not a diluted lycopene solution, to these milk products. The type and level of lycopene is ready for adoption

Updated list of methods of analysis and sampling in Codex standards for milk and milk products

The Committee reviewed and updated the list of methods of analysis and sampling in Codex standards for milk products and forwarded it to CCMAS for endorsement prior to submission to the Commission. The 31st session of CCMAS reviewed and endorsed the methods as proposed by CCMMP and noted that with the completion of the work programme of CCMMP and its proposed adjournment, CCMAS will continue the work on revision of the methods of analysis and sampling in milk and milk products standards as necessary. The updated list as endorsed by CCMAS is ready for adoption.

Revised food additive listings in standards for milk and milk products

The 9th session of the committee reviewed at the request of CCFA the inconsistent presentation of food additive provisions in milk and milk product standards. An in session working group reviewed the editorial inconsistencies prepared by the Codex Secretariat in 29 milk and milk product standards and agreed on a revised list for submission and referral to CCFA where it was endorsed for adoption by the Commission.

The Committee also noted that with the impending adjournment of CCMMP future work in relation to food additive provisions in milk and milk product standards will need to be addressed within CCFA.

Revised section on contaminants in standards for milk and milk products

As requested by the 32nd session of the Commission, CCMMP reviewed the section on contaminants in standards for milk products and recommended standardised wording for inclusion in the relevant CCMMP standards. The new contaminant provisions are the requirements for products specified in Codex Stan 193, the Maximum Levels for contaminants and toxins in CODEX STAN 193 for milk used in the manufacture of products and the MRLs for veterinary drugs and pesticide established for milk by CAC. .

The revised wording is ready for adoption following endorsement by the relevant Committees (CCCF, CCPR and CCRVDF)

Note of the Secretariat: the revised wording was endorsed by the 4th CCCF (Ref. ALINORM 10/33/41 para. 6). The CCRVDF endorsement is not necessary as the revised wording only refers to contaminants).

Revised Model export certificate for milk and milk products

As requested by the 32nd session of the Commission, the committee reviewed the Model export certificate for milk and milk products for consistency with the Generic Model official certificate. Before embarking on the revision process the Committee had a broad discussion on the need for retaining a separate certificate for milk products in the light of the adoption of the generic model certificate. There was general support for retaining the model certificate for milk and milk products

while ensuring its consistency with the generic model official certificate. The committee agreed on a revised model export certificate for milk and milk products for adoption by the Commission. CCMMP also requested that CCFICS consider the specificities of the milk and milk products certificate in any future revision of the generic model certificate and agreed that the question of retaining a separate certificate for milk and milk products could be revisited at that point.

This document is ready for adoption.

Status of CCMMP work and recommendation for adjournment

The 9th session of CCMMP successfully completed its work programme and agreed to recommend its adjournment *sine die*.

Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems (18 th Session, 1-5 March 2010)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Proposed Draft Principles and Guidelines for the conduct of assessment of foreign official inspection and certification systems (Annex to the <i>Guidelines for the design, operation, assessment and accreditation of food import and export inspection and certification systems</i> (CAC/GL 26-1997))	N07-2008	2012	5/8	1.4		The Annex, when adopted, will replace the current Annex “Guidelines on procedures for conducting an assessment and verification by an importing country of inspection and certification systems of an exporting country” of CAC/GL 26-1997.
<p>Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:</p> <p>The Committee agreed to forward the renamed proposed draft Principles and guidelines for the Conduct of Assessment of Foreign Official Inspections and Certification Systems (Annex to Guidelines for the design, operation, assessment and accreditation of food import and export inspection and certification systems (CAC/GL 26-1997)) to the 33rd Session of the Commission for adoption at Steps 5/8, with the recommendation to omit Steps 6 and 7 (see Appendix II ALINORM 10/33/30). The Committee recommended to the Commission that the proposed draft Guidelines and Principles would replace the current Annex “Guidelines on procedures for conducting an assessment and verification by an importing country of inspection and certification systems of an exporting country” of the Codex Guidelines for the design, operation, assessment and accreditation of food import and export inspection and certification systems (CAC/GL 26-1997). The proposed draft principles and guidelines will provide guidance on a range of tools that could be used by importing countries to assess an exporting country’s official inspection and certification system.</p>						

Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (31st Session, 8-12 March 2010)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Draft Guidelines on Performance Criteria and Validation of Methods for Detection, Identification and Quantification of Specific DNA Sequences and Specific Proteins in Foods	N09-2008	2011	5/8	1.4		Change of scope and title at the 30 th CCMAS Session (2009) notified to the 32 nd CAC (2009). The last CCMAS further amended the title and scope to make them of more general application (initially the focus was on foods derived from biotechnology).
Endorsement of methods of analysis in Codex Standards at different Steps	ongoing		for adoption	1.4		For adoption in existing Codex Standards or CODEX STAN 234-1999. This includes the methods for health related substances (Section 3.2) in the Standard for Natural Mineral Waters following the request of the 31 st CAC (2008)
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						

Codex Committee on Food Additives (42nd Session, 15-19 March 2010)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Proposed Draft Guidelines for Substances Used as Processing Aids	N04-2008	2011	5/8	1.1		Previously "Proposed Draft Guidelines and Principles for Substances Used as Processing Aids". The 42 nd CCFA renamed and finalised the Proposed Draft Guidelines.
Draft and Proposed Draft Food Additive Provisions of the General Standard for Food Additives (GSFA)	ongoing		8 and 5/8	1.1	JECFA ongoing	
Amendments to the International Numbering System for Food Additives (CAC/GL 36-1989)	ongoing		5/8	1.1		
Specifications for the Identity and Purity of Food Additives arising from the 71 st JECFA meeting (CAC/MISC 6)	ongoing		5/8	1.1	JECFA ongoing	

Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:

The 42nd CCFA finalised work on 123 food additive provisions in Table 1 and 2 of the GSFA, of which 34 were revisions to adopted food additive provisions and recommended discontinuation / revocation of other 158 food additive provisions in Table 1 and 2 GSFA. The Committee expressed general support to its approach in the consideration of the GSFA and, in order to expedite its work, supported the proposal to explore the possibility to extend the duration of the physical working group's meeting to two days and thus extending the overall duration of its session to eight days (from Saturday to Saturday) subject to the agreement by the host country.

The Committee continued its work on amendments to the INS and specifications for identity and purity of food additives. In order to better handle its work on the INS, the Committee agreed on a set of principles on the need for justification for proposals of changes to the INS.

The 42nd CCFA also finalised its work on the Guidelines on substances used as processing aids and agreed to recommend to the 33rd session of the Commission to revoke the Inventory of Processing Aids (CAC/MISC 3). The Committee will consider a proposal for the structure and content of a database on information on processing aids at its next session.

Codex Committee on General Principles (26 th Session, 12-16 April 2010)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Proposed Draft Revised Code of Ethics for International Trade in Food	1999		8			Delays in progress were due to different views on the need for the revised Code, its purpose and the contents of several sections, which resulted in extensive discussions. The 32 nd Commission adopted the text at Step 5. The 26 th CCGP (2010) finalised the text as all issues were adequately resolved.
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						

Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (42 nd Session, 19-24 April 2010)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Proposed Draft and Revised Draft MRLs	ongoing		8 and 5/8	1.1	JMPR ongoing	
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						

Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods (4 th Session, 26-30 April 2010)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Proposed Draft Maximum Levels for Total Aflatoxins in shelled, ready-to-eat Brazil nuts and shell, destined for further processing Brazil nuts	N11-2008	2011	5/8	1.1	68 th JECFA	The 68 th JECFA considered the impact of different hypothetical limits of total aflatoxins in tree nuts, including Brazil nuts, on dietary intake.
Proposed draft Maximum Levels for melamine in food (<i>powdered infant formula and foods other than infant formula</i>) and feed	N13-2009	2010/2011	5/8	1.1	WHO Expert meeting to review toxicological aspects of melamine and cyanuric acid (Dec 2008)	
Proposed draft Revision of the Code of Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Aflatoxin in Tree Nuts (additional measures for Brazil nuts)	N12-2009	2010/2011	5/8	1.1		Revision follows on the STDF SafeNut project
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						

Codex Committee on Food Labelling (38 th Session, 3-7 May 2010)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Proposed Draft Revised Guidelines on Nutrition Labelling (New Section 4: Principles and criteria for legibility of nutrition labelling)	N16-2008	2015	5/8	1.3		
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						
The Codex Committee on Food Labelling (CCFL) has embraced the priorities of the WHO Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity and Health and has undertaken significant amount of work to advance these priorities, including exchanges with CCFNSDU to ensure alignment and coordinated responses.						

The Committee agreed to forward proposed draft principles and criteria for legibility of nutrition labelling to Step 5/8 with omission of Steps 6 & 7 for adoption by the 33rd Session of the Commission and agreed to insert them as a new section 4 in the *Guidelines on Nutrition Labelling* (CAC/GL 2-1985).

PART II - DRAFT STANDARDS AND RELATED TEXTS AT STEP 5

Codex Committee on Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (19-23 October 2009)	Timeframe		Status	Output Codes	Scientific Advice	Explanatory Notes
	Job ID or year	Target Year				
Proposed Draft Revised Standard for Avocado (CODEX STAN 197-1995)	N19-2008	2011	5	1.2		Provisions on dry matter content for certain varieties and sizing for small varieties in square brackets for further discussion and finalization by the 16 th Session of the CCFFV (May 2010).
Proposed Draft Standard for Tree Tomato	N18-2008	2011	5	1.2		Provisions for sizing and size tolerances in square brackets for further discussion and finalization by the 16 th Session of the CCFFV (May 2010)
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee: - Tree tomato and Avocado (review of the standard to include new varieties) were advanced to Step 5.						

Codex Committee on Fish and Fishery Products (28 September - 2 October 2009)						
Proposed Draft Standard for Smoked Fish Smoke-Flavoured Fish and Smoke-Dried Fish	1996	2011	5	1.2		Physical WG arranged prior to 30 th session. Input from WG clearly facilitated progress in plenary. CCFFP's 30 th session agreed to forward the Proposed Draft Standard to step 5. CCFFP's further work: 31 st session (2011) will aim at passing the document to step 8.

Proposed Draft Standard for Fish Sauce	N02-2007	2011	5	1.2		<p>Fruitful discussions on all sections of the Proposed Draft Standard at the 30th session.</p> <p>CCFFP's 30th session agreed to forward the Proposed Draft Standard to step 5.</p> <p>CCFFP's further work: 31th session (2011) will aim at passing the document to step 8.</p>
<p>Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See explanatory notes above. • The CCEXEC discussed progress on all CCFFP items in its 63rd session (Alinorm 10/33/3,p.20) • The 31st session of the CCFFP will be extended with one extra working day to facilitate progress on several items. The interval between the CCFFP's sessions is 18 months. <p>Secretariat Note: The Committee on Food Hygiene agreed to consider the endorsement of the hygiene provisions of the Proposed Draft Standard for Smoked Fish, Smoke-Flavoured Fish and Smoke-Dried Fish and the Proposed Draft Standard for Fish Sauce at its next session (November 2010), so as to give advice if necessary to the next CCFFP session (April 2011).</p>						

Ad hoc Intergovernmental Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance (3rd Session, 12-16 October 2009)						
Science-based Risk Assessment Guidance Regarding Food-borne Antimicrobial Resistant Microorganisms	N01-2008	2011		1.1		The 2 nd TFAMR agreed to merge these three texts into a single document: Proposed Draft Guidelines for Risk Analysis of Foodborne Antimicrobial Resistance
Risk Management Guidance to Contain Food-borne Antimicrobial Resistant Microorganisms	N02-2008	2011		1.1		
Guidance on Creating Risk Profiles for Antimicrobial Resistant Food-borne Microorganisms for Setting Risk Assessment and Management Priorities	N03-2008	2011		1.1		
Proposed Draft Guidelines for Risk Analysis of Foodborne Antimicrobial	N01-N02-N03-2008	2011	5	1.1		

Resistance						
<p>Secretariat Note: The 3rd TFAMR considered for the first time a proposed draft Guidelines for Risk Analysis of Foodborne Antimicrobial Resistance, which consolidated three separate documents on risk assessment, risk management and risk profile. The Task Force addressed the outstanding issues and shortened the document, where possible, to avoid repetition and not to duplicate other existing Codex documents, while ensuring its readability and usefulness. Due to time constraints the Task Force could not finalise its discussion on the Appendix on "Elements of risk profile" which was put in square brackets for consideration at its next session.</p> <p>In view of the considerable progress on the other parts of the document, the TFAMR agreed to forward the entire proposed draft Guidelines to the 33rd CAC for adoption at Step 5. In order to facilitate the finalisation of the document at its next session, the Task Force agreed to convene a physical Working Group, to meet immediately prior to its next session (October/November 2010), to consider the Appendix and prepare a revised document on the basis of the comments submitted.</p> <p>Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:</p>						

Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (31st Session, 2-6 November 2009)						
General Principles for Establishing Nutrient Reference Values of Vitamins and Minerals for General Population in the Proposed Draft Additional or Revised NRVs	N06-2008	2012	5	1.3		The Committee noted that significant progress had been made on the proposed draft General Principles for Establishing Nutrient Reference Values of Vitamins and Minerals for General Population and agreed to forward them to the 33 rd Session of the Commission for adoption at Step 5
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						

Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (31st Session, 8-12 March 2010)						
Proposed Draft Revision of the <i>Guidelines on Measurement Uncertainty</i> (CAC/GL 54-2004)	N10-2008	2011	5	1.4		The CCPR is also revising the <i>Guidelines on Estimation of Uncertainty of Results for the determination of pesticide residues</i> (CAC/GL59-2006), while the work of CCMAS is of general application and there is ongoing coordination between CCMAS and CCPR to ensure consistency in the approach.
Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:						

Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (42nd Session, 19-24 April 2010)						
Proposed Draft MRLs	ongoing		5	1.1	JMPR ongoing	
Proposed Draft Revision of the Codex Classification of Foods and Animal Feeds - <i>Proposals for Three Commodity Groups: Tree Nuts, Herbs and Spices</i>	N11-2004 N09-2006	2012	5	1.1		The 27 th Session of the Commission in 2004 approved a limited revision of the Classification. During the revision, the Committee realized that the existing Codex Classification needs extensive revision and extension, because many new commodities have been proposed for inclusion in the classification. Also the grouping needed to be revised in the light of new scientific evidence and representative crops for extrapolation purposes must be selected. The Committee revises the Classification according to plan until all commodity groups are revised.

Proposed Draft Principles and Guidelines for the Selection of Representative Commodities for the Extrapolation of Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides for Commodity Groups	N11-2004 N09-2006	2012	5	1.1		Initially approved by the CAC under the revision of the Codex Classification of Food and Animal Feeds (N11-2004). The document intends to provide principles by which representative commodities should be described in order to facilitate the establishment of MRLs on related commodities and for minor uses and specialty crops by extrapolation of MRL data. The 40 th CCPR (2008) decided that this document should be developed separately from the above Classification.
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Codex Committee on Food Labelling (38th Session, 3-7 May 2010)						
Proposed draft revision of the <i>Guidelines on Nutrition Labelling</i> (CAC/GL 2-1985) concerning the list of nutrients that are always declared on a voluntary or mandatory basis (Section 3.2)	N16-2008	2015	5	1.3		
<p>Comments by the Chairperson/host country of the Committee:</p> <p>Concerning the list of nutrients that are always declared on a voluntary or mandatory basis, the Committee reached agreement on all nutrients, except sodium/salt, which had been retained in square brackets, and forwarded the revised section 3.2 to Step 5 for adoption by the 33rd Session of the Commission. While all delegations agreed on the importance of including sodium/salt on nutrition labels and that sodium (Na) is the nutrient of concern, the Committee remains divided on the term to be used that would be most meaningful to consumers particularly in public health campaigns, i.e., salt (the ingredient) vs. sodium (the nutrient). The CCFL agreed to re-establish an electronic working group to consider different approaches to declare sodium/salt on nutrition labels.</p>						