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CRITICAL REVIEW FOR THE ELABORATION OF CODEX STANDARDS AND RELATED TEXTS

DRAFT STANDARDS AND RELATED TEXTS SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSION FOR ADOPTION

Committee on Food Additives (44th Session, 12-16 March 2012)

Amendments to the International Numbering System for Food Additives (CAC/GL 36-1989)

Following the preparation of a specifications monograph for "potassium aluminum silicate, based pearlescent pigments", prepared by the 74th JECFA, the 44th CCFA agreed to assign a new INS no (i.e. INS 561) to the substance. When assigning the new number, the CCFA also deleted the reference to "based pearlescent pigments" to the name of the substance, without noticing that the INS already listed potassium aluminium silicate, under INS 555, associated with the technological purpose of anticaking agent.

To correct this error, it is proposed that the CCEXEC does not recommend the adoption of this new INS number and recommends the CCFA to reconsider a new INS number for "potassium aluminum silicate, based pearlescent pigments" on the basis of the description of the specifications monograph prepared by the 74th JECFA (http://www.fao.org/ag/agn/jecfa-additives/specs/monograph11/additive-524-m11.pdf).