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Agenda Item 4 (o)

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PROPOSED DRAFT TEMPLATE FOR FERMENTED MILK DRINK PROVISIONS

Comments submitted in response to CI 2004/15-MMP by: Kenya and Thailand

Proposed Draft Template for Fermented Milk Drink Provisions (O)

KENYA

Kenya proposes that the name be changed to “**Fermented Milk Products**” instead of “Fermented Milk Drinks” to accommodate other products such as set yoghurt, smoothy, etc. which are not drinks.

THAILAND

Proposed Draft Standard for Fermented Milk with Addition

General Comments

We propose to add provision on Fermented Milk Drinks in the Codex Standard for Fermented Milk.

Specific Comments

Section 2. Description

2.3 The term “Flavoured Milks” should be replaced by the term “Flavoured Fermented Milks” in order to make this standard more consistent.

2.4 The definitions of Fermented Milk Drinks should cover **Fermented Milk Drinks Heat Treated after Fermentation**.

Section 3. Essential Composition and Quality Factors

3.1 Raw Materials: The phrase in the square brackets should be deleted to reduce unnecessary repetition as it has already been mentioned in section 2.4 so that the sentence would then read as follows:

“Potable water for use in reconstitution and recombination” ~~[an in accordance with section 2.4]~~

3.2 Permitted Ingredients and 3.3 Composition

We propose to take off the square brackets on “**Fermented Milk Drinks**” from both of which appear under 3.2 and 3.3 the text would then read as follows:

Section 3.2. Permitted Ingredients

- Gelatine and starch in:
 - Flavoured fermented milk, **Fermented Milk Drinks**

Section 3.3. Composition

In Flavoured fermented milks, **Fermented Milk Drinks** the above criteria apply to the fermented milk part.....

Section 4. Food Additives

Regarding to a table we would like to propose to add one more sub-column for Fermented Milk Drinks under the column of Fermented Milk and Fermented Milk Heat Treated after Fermentation in the table

For the column of additive class, the use of preservatives in products that have undergone heat treatment is not technologically justified and should be reconsidered .Thereby we suggest that “X” is not needed to be in the column of Flavoured Fermented Milk Heat Treated since it is allowed only as part of carryover from ingredients or raw materials.

For Packaging gas, we propose to add “X “ under the column of plain Fermented Milk as this is technologically justified and a currently being practiced by our manufacturer.

The table would then read as follows

Additive class	Fermented Milk			FM Heat Treated after Fermentation		
	Plain	[Flavoured _and Drinks]	Fermented Milk Drinks	Plain	Flavoured	Fermented Milk Drinks
Colours	-	X		-	X	
Sweeteners	-	X		-	X	
Emulsifiers	-	X		-	X	
Flavour enhancers	-	X		-	X	
Acids	-	X		X	X	
Acidity regulators	-	X		X	X	
Stabilizers	X ¹	X		X	X	
Thickeners	X ¹	X		X	X	
Preservatives	-	-		-	X -	
Packaging gases	<u>X</u>	X		X	X	

Section 7. Labelling

7.1 Name of the food

7.1.2 Fermented milk drinks should be covered in this paragraph as follows:

Products obtained from fermented milk(s) **or fermented milk drinks** heat treated after fermentation shall be named“ Heat Treated Fermented Milk” or“ **Heat Treated Fermented Milk Drinks**”. If the consumer -----, the product shall be named “Heat Treated Fermented Milk” or “**Heat Treated Fermented Milk Drinks**”.

7.1.3 The contexts in the square brackets should be removed to appear in 7.1.3 and this paragraph would then been changed to be 7.1.4

7.1.4 The designation of Flavoured Fermented Milk and Fermented Milk Drinks.

should include the name of the principal flavouring substance(s) or flavour(s) added .

Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Fermented Milk Drinks

Section 3.3. Composition

The lists in the table are not related to Heat Treated Fermented Milk Drinks, so this term should be defined as a foot note.