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PROPOSED DRAFT REVISION OF THE CODEX CLASSIFICATION OF FOODS AND ANIMAL FEEDS AT STEP 4: SELECTED VEGETABLE COMMODITY GROUPS

Governments and interested international organizations wishing to submit comments on the above (see Appendices I through III) are invited to do so in writing to: Ms. Duang Lifang, Institute for the Control of Agrochemicals, Ministry of Agriculture (ICAMA), P.R China, Fax: +86-10-59194252, Email: ccpr@agri.gov.cn (*preferred*) with a copy to: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission, Joint WHO/FAO Food Standards Programme, FAO, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy, by Email codex@fao.org (*preferred*) or Fax: +39-06-5705-4593 by 31 March 2012.

Revision of the Codex Classification of Foods and Animal Feeds – Commodity groups at Step 4

<u>Proposals for three Vegetable Commodity Groups: Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbages and Flowerhead cabbages (010), Leafy vegetables (including brassica leafy vegetables) (013) and Stalk and stem vegetables (017)</u>

Background

1. At the 43st Session (2011), the Committee agreed to re-establish the Electronic Working Group (EWG) led by the Netherlands and the United States of America, working in English only, to prepare new draft proposals for selected vegetable commodity groups.¹

2. The proposals for the revised groups of Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbage, Flowerhead cabbages, Leafy vegetables (including brassica leafy vegetables) and Stalk and Stem vegetables were submitted to the Electronic Working Group for consideration. The proposals for the revised commodity groups are amended according to the received comments. Only Republic of Korea submitted comments on the proposals. The proposals for the revised commodity groups are presented in Appendices I, II and III. The working documents with further background information could be send upon request.

Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbage, Flowerhead cabbages

3. The proposed revised group "Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbage, Flowerhead cabbages" is included in Appendix I.

4. The group 010 "Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbage, Flowerhead cabbages" is divided in 3 subgroups:

- 10A Flowerhead Brassicas
- 10B Head Brassicas
- 10C Stem Brassicas

In the current classification codes are available for the group of Flowerhead brassicas and Cabbages, head. Also the EC has separate subgroups for the Flowering Brassicas and Head brassicas. The USA does not have a subgrouping in their draft revised Brassica head and stem vegetable group. Therefore it is proposed to make the above subgrouping.

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REP11/PR, para. 101.

5. No new commodities are proposed to include in the Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables and flowerhead brassica group. Only some synonyms of existing commodities are included.

6. In the current classification the commodity <u>"Chinese broccoli"</u> is grouped under the commodity VB 0042 Flowerhead Brassicas which includes Broccoli, Broccoli, Chinese and Cauliflower. The US proposes in their draft proposal to include Broccoli, Chinese under the subgroup Brassica leafy vegetables in the Leafy vegetable group, because the morphology of the commodity is of a leafy nature rather than forming a tight head similar to the other members of this group and can have higher residues than the representative commodities. The EU group under Broccoli also the commodities Calabrese, Chinese broccoli, Broccoli raab (rapini). (Rapini is similar in shape to the Chinese *Brassica oleracea* cultivar called *kai-lan*)

It is proposed to move the Chinese broccoli and Broccoli raab in the group of Leafy vegetables, subgroup Leafy brassica greens.

7. In the current classification the commodity <u>"Chinese cabbage (Pe-tsai type)</u>" is in the group of leafy vegetables. The US proposes in their draft proposal to include Chinese cabbage (napa) in the Brassica vegetables, because the appearance is similar to head cabbages (it also forms heads). The EU groups Chinese cabbage in the group of Brassica vegetables (Leafy brassicas).

It is proposed to move Chinese Cabbage (Pe-tsai type) to the Brassica vegetables group, subgroup Head Brassicas.

8. In the current classification <u>"Kohlrabi"</u> is classified in the Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables and Head cabbage, Flowerhead cabbages. In the definition of Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables and Head cabbage, Flowerhead cabbages of the Codex Classification stems are also included. The US proposes in their draft proposal to include kohlrabi in the group of Stalk and Stem vegetables, because kohlrabi has an enlarged, bulb-like stem fully exposed to the pesticides and can have higher pesticides residues than the representative commodities. The EU classifies Kohlrabi as a separate commodity in the Brassica vegetable group.

It is proposed to keep Kohlrabi as a separate commodity in the Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbage, Flowerhead brassicas group.

9. The Rebublic of Korea would like to include Kimchi cabbage as a reference to Chinese cabbage (Pe-tsai type).

Leafy vegetables (including Brassica leafy vegetables)

- 10. The proposed revised group "Leafy vegetables (including Brassica leafy vegetables)" is included in Appendix II.
- 11. The group 006 "Leafy vegetables (including Brassica leafy vegetables)" is divided in 5 subgroups, 013A Leafy greens

013B Brassica Leafy vegetables

- 013C Leaves of root and tuber vegetables
- 013D Leaves of trees, shrubs and vines
- 013E Leafy aquatic vegetables
- 12. Leafy Brassicas are already in the current classification classified in this group.

It is proposed to make a separate subgroup of Brassica leafy vegetables. It is also proposed to make a subgroup of leaves of root and tuber vegetables (human food) according to US draft proposal.

13. Aquatic vegetables (Kangkung) are listed in the current leafy vegetable group.

It is proposed to have a subgroup of aquatic leafy vegetables. It could also be considered to make a new commodity group of aquatic vegetables.

14. Leaves of trees and vines are listed in the current classification (Grape leaves and Papaya leaves).

It is proposed to include a subgroup for Leaves of trees, shrubs and vines.

15. The existing commodities in the group of leafy vegetables are divided among the subgroups as proposed below:

013A Leafy greens subgroup:

- Amaranth
- Blackjack
- Chard
- Chervil
- Chicory leaves (green and red cultivars)
- Corn salad (Lamb's lettuce)
- Cos lettuce
- Dandelion
- Dock
- Endive
- Goosefoot
- Lettuce, Head
- Lettuce, Leaf
- New Zealand spinach
- Orach
- Plantain leaves
- Purslane
- Purslane, winter
- Sowthistle
- Spinach
- Spinach, Indian

013B Brassica leafy vegetables:

- Broccoli, Chinese (from Brassica vegetables)
- Chinese cabbage
- Choisum
- Cress, garden
- Indian mustard
- Japanese greens
- Kale

- Komatsuma
- Mustard greens
- Pak-choi or paksoi
- Radish leaves
- Rape greens
- Rucola (Arrugula)
- Rutabaga greens
- Turnip greens
- Watercress

013C Leaves of root and tuber vegetables:

- Casava leaves
- Salsify leaves
- Sweet potato leaves
- Tannia leaves
- Taro leaves

013D Leaves of leafy trees, shrub and vines:

- Grape leaves
- Papaya leaves

013E Leafy aquatic vegetables:

- Kangkung
- 16. Other existing commodities which are not included in one of the above listed subgroups:
 - VL 0421 <u>Balsam pear leaves (Momordia charantia</u>). In the draft expanded US crop grouping system this commoditiy is not included in the group of leafy vegetables, because they don't readily fit in one of the proposed subgroups, because of the morphology of the leaves. It must be considered to make a new subgroup of leaves of Cucurbitaceae. Also new commodities could be included in that subgroup such as leaves of bitter melon, chayote, edible gourd and pumpkin.
 - VL 0461 <u>Betel leaves (Piper betle)</u>. This commodity is not included because of carcinogenicity.
 - VL 0462 <u>Boxthorn (*Lycium Chinense*</u>). This commodity is mostly used for tea. Confirmation is needed if leaves are used as vegetable in China.
 - VL 0467 Chinese cabbage (type pe-tsai) (celery cabbage) is moved to the Brassica vegetables group
 - VL 0484 <u>Mallow (Malva spp.)</u>. This commodity is mainly used as flavouring. It must be considered to include this commodity in the Herbs group.
 - VL 0471 March marigold (*Caltha palustris*) This plant is a poisonous weed (*Ranunculaceae*).

- VL 0487 <u>Nightshade black (Solanum nigrum</u>). Confirmation is needed if this commodity is used as a vegetable. (According to Wikipedia: In Greece the leaves are one of the ingredients included in the salad of boiled greens known as horta)
- VL 0489 <u>Pepper leaves (P. auritum</u> (contains safrole, which is carcinogenic); P. umbellatum (used to flavour Nigerian stews (Wikipedia)). This commodity is one of the commodities between square brackets in the revised group of Herbs (in Step 7). It is proposed to transfer this commodity to the group of Herbs in future
- VL 0491 Pokeweed, The leaves of this commodity are poisonous
- VL 0446 <u>Roselle leaves</u>, The green leaves are used like a spicy version of spinach (Wikipedia). The importance in trade must be confirmed
- VL 0499 <u>Sea kale</u>. This commodity is transferred to the group of Stalk and stem vegetables
- VL 0500 Senna leaves This commodity has a medicinal use and no food use
- VL 0479 <u>Japanese greens</u> is a commodity group which contains of a number of commodities, which are now divided among different subgroups. The proposal is to delete this commodity and list only the individual commodities.
- VL 478 Indian Mustard is included in VL 485 Mustard greens.
- 17. The <u>new commodities</u> proposed to include in the group of "Leafy vegetables":

In the subgroup 013A "Leafy greens":

- Agretti
- Aster, Indian
- Bellflower, Chinese leaves
- Cat's Whiskers
- Cham-chwi
- Cham-na-mul
- Chipilin
- Chrysanthemum, edible leaved
- Cosmos
- Dol-nam-mul
- Ebolo
- Fameflower
- Feather cockscomb
- Glasswort
- Huauzontle (include in Goosefoot)
- Iceplant
- Jute
- Lettuce, bitter

- Tanier Spinach
- Violet, Chinese

In the subgroup 013B "Brassica leafy vegetables":

- Alexanders leaves
- Cabbage, Abyssinian
- Cabbage seakale
- Chinese flat cabbage
- Cress, Upland
- Hanover salad
- Maca
- · Purple stem mustard
- Shepherd's purse

In the subgroup 013C "Leaves of root and tuber vegetables":

- · Chayote leaves
- Mustard, tuberous rooted Chinese
- Melientha
- Rampion leaves
- Ulluco leaves
- · Velvet plant leaves
- Yam leaves

In the subgroup 013E "Leafy aquatic vegetables":

• Water mimosa

18. Most of the new commodities originate from the expanded US crop grouping system by the International Crop Grouping Consulting Committee (ICGCC).

From the limited revision project the following commodities were proposed to include in this group:

- Fameflower in "Leafy greens" subgroup
- Meleintha in "Leaves of leafy trees, shrub and vines" subgroup
- Water mimosa in "Leafy aquatic vegetables" subgroup

19. It is proposed to include <u>Witloof</u> (chicory sprouts) coming from the stalk and stem vegetables in this group and in the subgroup of "Leaves of root and tuber vegetables"

20. VL 0475 Dock (*Rumex* spp.) is currently in the leafy vegetable group. In the group of Herbs HH 0746 Sorrel, common (Rumex spp.) is included. It must be considered to transfer Sorrel, common in the group of leafy vegetables in the commodity Dock.

21. The Republic of Korea proposed some new commodities: Cham-ssuk, Dang-gwi, Gom-chwi, Perilla leaves (included in the revised Herbs group), San-ma-neul (is an *Allium* and should be included in the Bulb vegetable group), leaf and Sun-chea (Watershield) and synonyms od scientific names for Cham-chwi and Cham-na-mul.

Stalk and Stem vegetables

- 22. The proposed revised group "Stalk and stem vegetables)" is included in Appendix III.
- 23. Commodities in this group are divided in 3 subgroups:
 - 17A Stalk and stem vegetables Stems and Petioles subgroup
 - 17B Stalk and stem vegetables Young shoots subgroup
 - 17C Stalk and stem vegetables Others

24. The group of Stalk and stem vegetables contains very different commodities, which make subgrouping very difficult. It is proposed to make subgroups based on the morphology, growing practice and possible residue behaviour of the commodities. The proposal for subgrouping is not according to the US proposal. (US Subgroups: Stalk and Stem vegetables: Agave; Asparagus; Bamboo shoots; Cactus; Celtuce; Fennel, Florence, fresh leaves and stalk; Kale, sea; Kohlrabi; Palm hearts; Leafy Petiole Vegetable: Burdock, edible, tops; Cardoon; Celery; Celery, Chinese; Fuki; Rhubarb; Udo; Zuiki). Classifications in other countries don't have subgroups in the group of Stalk and stem vegetables.

25. In this proposal a part of the commodities are young shoots and others are older stems and stalks, of which sometimes also leaves are consumed. The commodities of young shoots are harvested shortly after they emerge out of the ground and the leaves are unfolded or partly unfolded. Some commodities could not be grouped in the subgroups Stems and Petioles or Young shoots and are placed in a subgroup of "Others".

26. The existing commodities in the group of Stalk and stem vegetables are divided among the subgroups as proposed below:

017A "Stems and Petioles" subgroup:

- Cardoon
- Celery
- Celtuce
- Fennel, bulb
- Rhubarb

017B "Young shoots" subgroup:

- Aspagrgus
- Bambooshoots

017C "Others subgroup":

- Artichoke, globe
- Palm hearts
- 27. The <u>new commodities</u> proposed to include in the group of "Stalk and stem vegetables":

In the subgroup 017A "Stems and Petioles":

- Burdock, edible tops
- Giant butterbur
- Zuiki

In the subgroup 017B "Young shoots":

- Agave
- Ferns, edible
- Kale, sea
- Udo

In the subgroup 017C "Others":

• Prickly pear pads

28. The new commodities originate from the expanded US crop grouping system, except Ferns, edible. Japanese flowering fern (included in ferns, edible) is a commodity proposed in the limited revision project.

29. <u>Witloof chicory (sprouts)</u> is moved from this group to the Leafy vegetables, subgroup Leaves of root and tuber vegetables.

30. The commodity <u>Fennel, bulb</u> is transferred from the Bulb vegetables group to this group in the subgroup 17A stems and petioles.

31. <u>Sea kale</u> is moved from the Leafy vegetable group in this group in the subgroup Young shoots, because the young shoots (blanched) are consumed.

32. The Republic of Korea proposed to include Water celery in this group. Also it was proposed to include the flowering stalk of Garlic. This commodity belongs in the group of Bulb vegetables.

Recommendations

33. The Chairs of the EWG propose to consider the proposals for "Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbage, Flowerhead cabbages, Leafy vegetables (including brassica leafy vegetables) and Stalk and Stem vegetables" at Step 4 in the light of the comments received and advance these proposals for adoption at Step 5.

34. The Chairs of the EWG propose to the Committee to re-establish the Electronic Working Group led by The Netherlands and the USA, working in English and open to all Members and observers, which should prepare proposals for commodity groups according to the progress made by the ICGCC.

Request for comments

35. Codex Members and Observers wishing to submit comments on the commodity groups as presented in Appendices I to III are kindly invited to do so as indicated on the cover page.

Appendix I

Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbages, Flowerhead brassicas

Class A

Type 2 Vegetables Group 010 Group Letter Code VB

Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables and flowerhead brassicas are foods derived from the leafy heads, stems and immature inflorescences of plants belonging to the genus Brassica of the family Cruciferae. Although Kohlrabi does not comply fully with the description above, for convenience and because of the similarity in residue behaviour the commodity is classified in this group. Kohlrabi is a tuber-like enlargement of the stem.

The edible part of the crop is partly protected from pesticides applied during the growing season by outer leaves, or skin (Kohlrabi).

The entire vegetable after discarding obviously decomposed or withered leaves may be consumed.

It is proposed to divide this group in 3 subgroups:

- 10A Flowerhead Brassicas
- 10B Head Brassicas
- 10C Stem Brassicas

Portion of the commodity to which the MRL applies (and which is analysed): Head cabbages and Kohlrabi: Whole commodity as marketed, after removal of obviously decomposed or withered leaves. Cauliflower and broccoli: flower heads (immature inflorescence only). Brussels sprouts: "buttons" only.

Group 010	Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbages, Flowerhead brassicas
Code NO,	Commodity
VB 0040	Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbages, Flowerhead brassicas
	(includes all commodities in this group)
Group 10A	Flowerhead Brassicas
Code NO,	Commodity
VB 0042	Flowerhead brassicas (includes Broccoli and Cauliflower)
VB 0400	Broccoli
	Brassica oleracea L. var. italica Plenck
-	Broccoli, Chinese, See Leafy vegetables Group 13
-	Broccoli, Sprouting, see Broccoli, VB 0400
VB 0404	Cauliflower
	Brassica oleracea L. var. botrytis L., several cultivars (white and green)
-	Cauliflower, Green, see Cauliflower, VB 0404
-	Kailan, see Broccoli, Chinese
-	Romanesco broccoli, See Cauliflower, VB 0404

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Group 10B	Head Brassicas
<u>Code N0,</u>	<u>Commodity</u>
VB 2036	Head Brassicas
	(includes all commodities in this group)
VB 0041	Cabbages, Head
	Brassica oleracea L. var. capitata L., several var. and cvs.
	(includes Savoy cabbage and Chinese cabbage)
VB 0402	Brussels sprouts
	Brassica oleracea L. var. gemmifera (DC.) Zenker
-	Cabbage, see Cabbages, Head, VB 0041
-	Cabbage, Green, see Cabbage, Savoy
-	Cabbage, Red, see Cabbages, Head, VB 0041
	Brassica oleracea L. capitata L., var. rubra
-	Cabbage, Oxhead, see Cabbages, Head, VB 0041
	Brassica oleracea L. capitata L., var. alba, forma conica
-	Cabbage, Pointed, see Cabbage, Oxhead
-	Cabbage, White, see Cabbages, Head, VB 0041
	Brassica oleracea L. capitata L., var. alba
VB 0403	Cabbage, Savoy, see also Cabbages, Head, VB 0041
	Brassica oleracea L. var. sabauda L.
-	Cabbage, Yellow, see Cabbage, Savoy, VB 0403
-	Celery cabbage, see Chinese cabbage, (type Pe-tsai), VB 0467
VB 0467	Chinese cabbage, (type Pe-tsai)
	Brassica rapa L. subsp. pekinensis (Lour.) Hanelt
	syn: <i>B. pekinensis</i> (Lour.) Rupr.
-	Chinese cabbage (napa), see Chinese cabbage, (type Pe-tsai), VB 0467
-	Kimchi cabbage, see Chinese cabbage (type Pe-tsai), VB 0467
	Brassica rapa L. subsp. pekinensis (Lour.) Hanelt
	syn: Brassica rapa L. var. glabra Regel
-	Napa cabbage, See Chinese cabbage (type Pe-tsai), VB 0467
-	Pak-tsai, see Chinese cabbage, (type Pe-tsai), VB 0467

Group 10C Stem Brassicas

Code N0,	Commodity
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VB 0405 Kohlrabi

Brassica oleracea L var. gongylodes L.

Appendix II

Leafy vegetables (including Brassica leafy vegetables)

Class A

Type 2 Vegetables Group 013 Group Letter Code VL

Group 013 Leafy vegetables are foods derived from the leaves of a wide variety of edible plants, usually annuals or biennials. They are characterized by high surface: weight ratio. The leaves are fully exposed to pesticides applied during the growing season.

The entire leaf may be consumed, either fresh or after processing or household cooking.

It is proposed to divide this group in 5 subgroups:

013A Leafy greens

013B Brassica Leafy vegetables

013C Leaves of root and tuber vegetables

013D Leaves of trees, shrubs and vines

013E Leafy aquatic vegetables

Portion of the commodity to which the MRL applies (and which is analysed): Whole commodity as usually marketed, after removal of obviously decomposed or withered leaves.

Group 013	Leafy vegetables (including Brassica leafy vegetables)
Code No.	<u>Commodity</u>
VL 0053	Leafy vegetables
Group 013A	Leafy greens
Code No.	<u>Commodity</u>
VL 2050	Leafy greens
	(Includes all commodities in this subgroup)
VL 0460	Amaranth
	<i>Amaranthus</i> spp.; including <i>A. spinosus</i> L.; <i>A. dubius</i> C. Mart. ex. Thell.; <i>A. hypochondriacus</i> L.; <i>A. cruentus</i> L.; <i>A. viridis</i> L.;. <i>A. tricolor</i> L.
VL 2740	Aster, Indian
	Kalimeris indica (L.) Sch. Bip.
-	Beet leaves, see Chard, VL 0464
VL 2741	Blackjack
	Bidens pilosa L.
-	Bledo, see Amaranth, VL 0460

-	Buckhorn plantain, See Plantain leaves, VL 0490
	Plantago lanceolata L.
-	Bush greens, See Amaranth, VL 0460
	Amaranthus cruentus L.
VL 2742	Cat's Whiskers
	Cleome gynandra L.
VL 2743	Cham-chwi
	Doellingeria scabra (Thunb.) Nees
	syn: Aster scaber Thunb.
VL 2744	Cham-na-mul
	Pimpinella calycina Maxim
	syn: <i>Pimpinella brachycarpa</i> (Kom.) Nakai;
VL 2745	Cham-ssuk
	Artemisia dubia Wall. Ex DC.
VL 0464	Chard
	Beta vulgaris L. subsp. vulgaris var. vulgaris; Beta vulgaris L. subsp. vulgaris var. cicla
VL 0465	Chervil
	Anthriscus cerefolium (L.) Hoffmann
VL 0469	Chicory leaves (green and red cultivars)
	Cichorium intybus L., var. foliosum Hegi
-	Chinese amaranth, See Amaranth, VL 0460
	Amaranthus tricolor L.
VL 2746	Chipilin
	Crotalaria lingirostrata Hook & Arn.
VL 2747	Chrysanthemum, Edible leaved
	Glebionis spp.
-	Chrysanthemum, garland, See Chrysanthemum, edible leaved, VL 2747
	Glebionis coronaria (L.) Cass. ex Spach;
-	Common plantain, see Plantain leaves, VL 0490
	Plantago major L.

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-	Corn chrysanthemum, see Chrysanthemum, edible leaved, VL 2747
	Glebionis segetum (L.) Fourr
VL 0470	Corn salad
	Valerianella spp.
VL 0510	Cos lettuce
	Lactuca sativa L.var. longifolia Lam.
VL 2748	Cosmos
	Cosmos caudatus Kunth
-	Crisphead lettuce, see Lettuce, Head, VL 0482
-	Cutting lettuce, see Lettuce, Leaf, VL 0483
VL 0474	Dandelion
	Taraxacum officinale F.H. Wigg. agrr.
VL 2749	Dang-gwi
	Angelica gigas Nakai
VL 0475	Dock
	Rumex spp.; [Rumex patienta L.]
VL 2750	Dol-nam-mul
	Sedum sarmentosum Bunge
VL 2751	Ebolo
	Crassocephalum crepidioides (Benth.) S. Moore
VL 0476	Endive
	Cichorium endivia L.
-	Endive, broad or plain leaved, see Endive, VL 0476
	Cichorium endivia L., var. latifolium Lamarck
-	Endive, curled, see Endive, VL 0476
	Cichorium endivia L., var. crispum Lamarck
VL 0514	Fame flower
	Talinum fruticosum L. Juss.
-	Fennel, see Group 027 Herbs
-	Fennel, Bulb, see Group Stalk and stem vegetables

VL 0515	Feather cockcomb
	Glinus oppositifolius (L.) Aug. DC.
VL 2752	Glasswort, common
	Salicornia L.
VL 2753	Gom-chwi
	Ligularia fischeri Turcz.
-	Good King Henry, see Goosefoot, VL 0477
	Chenopodium bonus-henricus L.
VL 0477	Goosefoot
	Chenopodium spp.
-	Huauzontle, see Goosefoot, VL 0477
	Chenopodium berlandieri Moq.
VL 2754	Iceplant
	Mesembryanthemum crystallinum L.
-	Italian corn salad, see corn salad, VL 0470
	Valerianella eriocarpa desv.;
-	Jew mallow, see Jute, VL 2754
	Corchorus olitorius L.
VL 2755	Jute
	Corchorus spp.
	Lambs lettuce, see Corn salad, VL 0470
	Valerianella locusta L.;
VL 2756	Lettuce, bitter
	Launeae cornuta (Hochst. ex Oliv. & Hiern) C. Jeffry
VL 0482	Lettuce, Head
	Lactuca sativa L., var. capitata
VL 0483	Lettuce, Leaf
	Lactuca sativa L., var. crispa L.;
-	Lettuce, Red, see Lettuce, Head, VL 0482
	Red cultivar of Lactuca sativa, var. capitata

VL 0486	New Zealand spinach
	Tetragonia tetragonioides (Pallas) O. Kuntze;
	syn: <i>T. expansa</i> Murr.
VL 0488	Orach
	Atriplex hortensis L.
VL 0490	Plantain leaves
	Plantago major L.
VL 0492	Purslane
	Portulaca oleracea L., ssp. sativa (Haw) Celak.
VL 0493	Purslane, Winter
	<i>Claytonia perfoliata</i> Donn ex Willd.;
-	Red-leaved chicory, see Chicory leaves
-	Silver beet, see Chard, VL 0464
-	Slender amaranth, see Amaranth
	Amaranthus viridis L.
VL 0501	Sowthistle
	Sonchus oleraceus L.
VL 0502	Spinach
	Spinacia oleracea L.
-	Spinach beet, see Chard, VL 0464
VL 0503	Spinach, Indian
	Basella alba L.;
-	Spiny amaranth, see Amaranth
	Amaranthus spinosus L.
-	Spleen amaranth, see Amaranth
	Amaranthus dubius C. Mart. ex. Thell.
-	Sugar loaf, see Chicory leaves, VL 0469
-	Swiss chard, see Chard, VL 0464
VL 2757	Tanier spinach

Xanthosoma brasiliense (Desf.) Engl.

	Tricolor chrysanthemum, see Chrysanthemum, Edible leaved, VL 2747
	Glebionis carinata (Schousb.) Tzvelev
-	Vine spinach, see Spinach, Indian, VL 0503
VL 2758	Violet, Chinese
	Asystasia gangetica (L.) T. Anderson
-	Warrigal greens, see New Zealand spinach, VL 0486
Group 013B E	Brassica leafy vegetables
Code No.	<u>Commodity</u>
VL 0054	Brassica leafy vegetables
	Brassica spp.
	(Includes all commodities in this subgroup)
-	Amsoi, see Indian Mustard
-	Arrugula, see Rucola, VL 0496
-	Big-stem mustard, See Mustard greens, VL 0485
	Brassica juncea (L.) Czern subsp. tsatsai (T.L. Mao) Gladis
-	Borecole, see Kale, curly
VL 0401	Broccoli, Chinese
	Brassica oleracea var alboglabra (L.H. Bailey) Musil
VL 2770	Broccoli raab
	Brassica ruvo L.H. Bailey
VL 2771	Cabbage, Abyssinian
	Brassica carinata A. Braun
VL 2772	Cabbage, Seakale
	Brassica oleracea L. var. costada DC.
-	Celery mustard, see Pak-choi
VL 0466	Chinese cabbage (type Pak-choi)
	Brassica rapa subsp. chinensis (L.) Hanelt
VL 2773	Chinese flat cabbage
	Brassica rapa subsp. narinosa (L.H. Bailey) Hanelt
-	Choisum, See Flowering white cabbage, VL 0468
-	Collards, see Kale, VL 0480

VL 0472	Cress, Garden
	Lepidium sativum L.; L. virginicum L
VL 2774	Cress, Upland
	Barbarea vulgaris W.T. Aiton; B. Verna (Mill.) Asch.
-	Curly Kale, see Kale, curly
-	Field mustard greens, See Rape greens, VL 0495
	Brassica napus L. subsp. trilocularis (roxb.) Hanelt; Brassica napus L. subsp. dichotoma (Roxb.) Hanelt; Brassica napus L. subsp. oleifera Metzg.
-	Garden cress, see Cress, Garden, VL 0472
VL 0468	Flowering white cabbage
	Brassica rapa L. subsp chinensis (L.) Hanelt var. parachinensis
VL 2775	Hanover salad
	Brassica napus var, pabularia (DC.) Rchb
-	Indian mustard, See Mustard greens, VL 0485
	<i>Brassica juncea</i> (L.) Czern.
	Kabuna, See Mizuna, VL 0481
	Brassica rapa L. subsp. nipposinica (L.H. Bailey) Hanelt var. piriviridis L.H. Bailey
VL 0480	Kale
	(including among others: Collards, Curly kale, Scotch kale, Thousand-headed kale, Branching bush kale, Jersey kale; not including Marrow-stem kale, no. AV 1052, see Group 052: Miscellaneous fodder and forage crops, page 108)
	Brassica oleracea L., var. sabelica L.
-	Kale, branching bush, See Kale, VL 0480
	Brassica oleracea L., var. ramosa DC. L
-	Kale, curly, see Kale, VL 0480
	Brassica oleracea L., convar. acephala (D. C.) Alef., var. sabellica L.
	Kale, Jersey, See Kale, VL 0480
	Brassica oleracea L., var. palmifolia DC.
	Komatsuma, See Mizuna, VL 0481
	Brassica rapa L. subsp. nipposinica (L.H. Bailey) Hanelt var. piriviridis L.H. Bailey
-	Land cress, See Cress, Upland, VL 2774
	B. Verna (Mill.) Asch.

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-	Leaf mustard, See Mustard greens, VL 0485
	Brassica juncea (L.) Czern subsp. integrifolia (H. West) Thell.
VL 2776	Маса
	<i>Lepidium meyenii</i> Walp.
VL 0481	Mizuna
	<i>Brassica rapa</i> L. subsp. <i>nipposinica</i> (L.H. Bailey) Hanelt; <i>Brassica rapa</i> L. subsp. <i>nipposinica</i> (L.H. Bailey) Hanelt var. <i>piriviridis</i> L.H. Bailey
VL 0485	Mustard greens
	Brassica juncea (L.) Czern
-	Mustard, Indian, see Indian Mustard
-	Mustard spinach, see Komatsuma
VL 2777	Mustard, tuberous rooted, Chinese
	Brassica juncea (L.) Czern. Subsp. napiformis (Pailleux & Bois)
-	Namenia, see Turnip greens, VL 0506
-	Oil radish greens, See Radish leaves, VL 2778
	Raphanus sativus L var. oleiformis Pers.
-	Pak-choi or Paksoi, See Chinese cabbage (type Pak-choi), VL 0466
-	Pak-tsai, see Brassica (cole or cabbage) vegetables, Head cabbages, Flowerhead brassicas, Group 010
-	Pak-tsoi or Pak-soi, see Pak-choi or Paksoi
-	Peppergrass, See Cress, garden, VL 0472
	Lepidium virginicum L
VL 2778	Purple-stem mustard
	<i>Brassica rapa</i> subsp. <i>chinensis</i> (L.) Hanelt var. <i>purpuraria</i> (L.H. Bailey) Hanelt
VL 0494	Radish leaves (including Radish tops)
	Raphanus sativus L., several varieties
VL 0495	Rape greens
	Brassica napus L.
-	Rat-tail radish greens, See Radish leaves, VL 0494
	Raphanus sativus L var. mougri H.J.W. Helm
-	Rocket salad, see Rucola, VL 0496
-	Roquette, see Rucola, VL 0496

	<i>Eruca sativa</i> Mill.
VL 0497	Rutabaga greens
	Brassica napus L., var. napobrassica (L.) Rchb.
VL 2779	Shepherd's purse
	Capsella bursa-pastoris (L.) medik
-	Tendergreen, see Turnip greens, VL 0506
-	Tsai shim, see Choisum
-	Tsoi sum, see Choisum
VL 0506	Turnip greens
	Brassica rapa L.subsp. rapa;
VL 0473	Watercress
	Nasturtium officinale W.T Aiton
VL 2780	Wild rocket
	Diplotaxis tenuifolia (L.) Rchb
Group 013C	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables
Code No.	Commodity
<u>Code No.</u> VL 2052	<u>Commodity</u> Leaves of root and tuber vegetables
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VL 2052	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup)
VL 2052	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup) Alexanders leaves
VL 2052 VL 2790	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup) Alexanders leaves Smyrnium olusatrum L.
VL 2052 VL 2790	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup) Alexanders leaves Smyrnium olusatrum L. Bell flower, Chinese leaves
VL 2052 VL 2790	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup) Alexanders leaves <i>Smyrnium olusatrum</i> L. Bell flower, Chinese leaves <i>Platycodon grandiflorus</i> (Jacq.) A. DC.
VL 2052 VL 2790	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup) Alexanders leaves <i>Smyrnium olusatrum</i> L. Bell flower, Chinese leaves <i>Platycodon grandiflorus</i> (Jacq.) A. DC. Blue ape leaves, See Tannia leaves, VL 0504
VL 2052 VL 2790 VL 2791	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup) Alexanders leaves <i>Smyrnium olusatrum</i> L. Bell flower, Chinese leaves <i>Platycodon grandiflorus</i> (Jacq.) A. DC. Blue ape leaves, See Tannia leaves, VL 0504 <i>Xanthosoma violaceum</i> Schott
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VL 2052 VL 2790 VL 2791 - VL 0463	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup) Alexanders leaves <i>Smyrnium olusatrum</i> L. Bell flower, Chinese leaves <i>Platycodon grandiflorus</i> (Jacq.) A. DC. Blue ape leaves, See Tannia leaves, VL 0504 <i>Xanthosoma violaceum</i> Schott Cassava leaves <i>Manihot esculenta</i> Crantz
VL 2052 VL 2790 VL 2791 - VL 0463	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (Includes all commodities in this subgroup) Alexanders leaves <i>Smyrnium olusatrum</i> L. Bell flower, Chinese leaves <i>Platycodon grandiflorus</i> (Jacq.) A. DC. Blue ape leaves, See Tannia leaves, VL 0504 <i>Xanthosoma violaceum</i> Schott Cassava leaves <i>Manihot esculenta</i> Crantz Chayote leaves

-	Greater yam, See Yam leaves, VL 2796
	Dioscorea alata L.
-	Lesser yam, See Yam leaves, VL 2796
	Dioscorea esculenta (Lour.) Burkill
-	Mapuey, See Yam leaves, VL 2796
	Dioscorea trifida L.f.
VL 2793	Rampion leaves
	Campanula rapunculus L.
VL 0498	Salsify leaves
	Tragopogon porrifolium L.; Scorzonera hispanica L.
VL 0508	Sweet potato, leaves
	Ipomoea batatas (L.) Lam.
VL 0504	Tannia leaves
	Xanthosoma sagittifolium (L.) Schott;
	syn: X. edule (Mey) Schott; X. xanthorrhizon (Jacq.);
	C. Koch; Arum sagittaefolium L.
VL 0505	Taro leaves
	Colocasia esculenta (L.) Schott
VL 2794	Ullucu leaves
	Ullucus tuberosus Caldas
VL 2795	Velvet plant leaves
	<i>Gynura bicolor</i> (Roxb. ex Willd.) DC.
-	White yam, See Yam leaves, VL 2796
	Dioscorea rotundata Poir.
VL 0469	Witloof chicory (sprouts)
	Cichorium intybus L., var. foliosum Hegi; green, red and white cultivars
VL 2796	Yam leaves
	Dioscorea spp.
-	Yellow yam, See Yam leaves, VL 2796
	Dioscorea cayenensis Lam.

Group 013D	Leaves of trees, shrubs and vines
Code No.	Commodity
VL 2053	Leaves of trees, shrubs and vines
	(Includes all commodities in this subgroup)
VL 0269	Grape leaves
	Vitis vinifera L.
VL 0517	Melientha
	Melientha suavis Pierre
VL 0337	Papaya leaves
	<i>Carica papaya</i> L.
Group 013E	Leafy aquatic vegetables
Code No.	<u>Commodity</u>
VL 2054	Leafy aquatic vegetables
	(Includes all commodities in this subgroup)
VL 0507	Kangkung
	Ipomoea aquatica Forssk.;
-	Sun-chae, see Water shield, VL 2820
-	Water convolvulus, see Kangkung, VL 0507
VL 0518	Water mimosa
	Neptunia Oleracea Lour.
VL 2820	Water shield
	Brasenia schreberi J.F. Gmel.
-	Water spinach, see Kangkung, VL 0507

Appendix III

Stalk and stem vegetables

Class A

Type 2 Vegetables Group 017 Group Letter Code VS

Group 017. Stalk and stem vegetables are the edible stalks, leaf stems or immature shoots, from a variety of annual or perennial plants. Although not actually belonging to this group, globe artichoke (the immature flowerhead) of the family Compositae is included in this group.

Depending upon the part of the crop used for consumption and the growing practices, stalk and stem vegetables are exposed, in varying degrees to pesticides applied during the growing season.

Stalk and stem vegetables may be consumed in whole or in part and in the form of fresh, dried or processed foods.

Commodities in this group are grouped in 3 subgroups:

17A Stalk and stem vegetables - Stems and Petioles subgroup

17B Stalk and stem vegetables - Young shoots subgroup

17C Stalk and stem vegetables - Others

Portion of the commodity to which the MRL applies (and which is analysed): Whole commodity as marketed after removal of obviously decomposed or withered leaves. Rhubarb, leaf stems only: globe artichoke, flowerhead only, celery and asparagus, remove adhering soil.

Group 017 Stalk and stem vegetables

Code No.	Commodity
VS 0078	Stalk and stem vegetables
Group 017A	Stalk and stem vegetables - Stems and Petioles
Code No.	Commodity
VS 2080	Stems and petioles
	(Includes all commodities in this subgroup)
VS 3020	Burdock, edible tops
	Articum lappa L.
VS 0623	Cardoon
	Cynara cardunculus L.
VS 0624	Celery
	Apium graveolens L., var. dulce
-	Celery leaves, see Group 027: Herbs

VS 0625	Celtuce
	Lactuca sativa L., var. angustina Irish;
	syn: <i>L. sativa</i> L., var. <i>asparagina</i> Bailey
VS 0380	Fennel, Bulb
	Foeniculum vulgare Mill. subsp. vulgare var. azoricum (Mill.) Thell-
-	Fennel, Florance, see Fennel, bulb, VS 0380
VS 3021	Giant butterbur
	Petasites japonicus (Siebold & Zucc.) Maxim
-	Fuki, See Giant butterbur, VS 3021
VS 0627	Rhubarb
	Rheum x hybridum Murray
VS 3022	Zuiki
	Colocasia gigantea (Blume) Hook. f.
Group 017B	Stalk and stem vegetables - Young shoots
<u>Code No.</u>	<u>Commodity</u>
VS 2081	Young shoots
	(Includes all commodities in this subgroup)
VS 3025	Agave
	Agave spp.
VS 0621	Asparagus
	Asparagus officinalis L.
VS 0622	Bamboo shoots
	Arundinaria spp.; Bambusa spp. including B. blumeana; B. multiplex; B. oldhamii; B. textilis; Chimonobambusa spp.; Dendrocalamus spp., including D. asper, D. beecheyana; D. brandisii, D. giganteus; D. laetiflorus and D. strictus; Gigantochloa spp. including G. albociliata; G. atter; G. levis; G. robusta; Nastus elatus; Phyllostachys spp.; Thyrsostachys siamensis; Thyrsostachys oliverii (Poaceae (alt. Gramineae))
VS 3026	Ferns, edible
	Including: Black lady fern, <i>Deparia japonica</i> (Thunb.) M. Kato; Bracken fern, <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> (L.) Kuhn; Broad buckler fern, <i>Dryopteris dilatata</i> (Hoffm.) A. Gray; Cinnamon fern, <i>Osmundastrum cinnamomeum</i> (L.) C.Presl; Lady fern, <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> (L.) Roth ex Mert.; Leather fern, <i>Acrostichum aureum</i> L.; Mother fern, <i>Diplazium proliferum</i> (Lam.) Thouars; Ostrich fern, <i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> (L.)

Tod.; Vegetable fern, Diplazium esculentum (Retz.) Sw.; Zenmai fern, Osmunda japonica Thunb.

VS 0499	Kale, sea
	Crambe maritima L.
VS 3027	Udo
	Aralia cordata Thunb.
Group 017C Sta	Ik and stem vegetables - Others
Code No.	<u>Commodity</u>
VS 0620	Artichoke, globe
	Cynara scolymus L.
VS 0626	Palm hearts
	various species including: Peach Palm, <i>Bactris gasipaes</i> Kunth; Palmyra palm, <i>Borassus flabellifera</i> L.; African fan palm, <i>Borassus aethiopum</i> Mart.; Coconut, <i>Cocos nucifera</i> L.; Cabbage palm, <i>Euterpe oleracea</i> Mart.; Wine palm, <i>Raphia</i> spp.; Royal palm, <i>Roystonea oleracea</i> (Jacq.) O.F. Cook; Salak palm, <i>Salacca zalacca</i> (Gaertn.) Voss; Saw palmetto, <i>Serenoa repens</i> (W. Bartram) Small; Cabbage palmetto, <i>Sabal palmetto</i> (Walter) Schult. & Schult. f., (Arecaceae (alt. Palmae))
VS 3030	Prickly pear pads
	<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i> (L.) Mill.
VS 3031	Water-celery
	Oenanthe javanica (Blume) de Candolle