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OTHER BUSINESS AND FUTURE WORK

(Comments of Algeria)

Algeria would like to thank the Codex Secretariat of the CCMAS Committee for the work carried out regarding the implementation of the horizontal approach for methods of analysis and sampling, using a single general reference: **CXS 234 - 1999: *Recommended methods of analysis and sampling***.

However, Algeria wishes to bring to the attention of CCMAS44 that certain methods of analysis related to the *Standard for wheat and durum wheat* (CXS 199-1995, adopted in 1995 and amended in 2019) **require updating and should be integrated into the general standard (CXS 234 -1999)**.

These include the following:

Regarding the Appendix of the standard (CXS 199-1995), Quality Factor/Description:

- **Point 4 - Damaged kernels:**

- It should be noted that **ISO 7970-1987 standard (Wheat) needs to be updated**, as applicable to either Wheat or Durum Wheat;
- It is also proposed to establish appropriate methods of analysis for the determination of the quality factors/description **of Wheat and Durum Wheat**.

This will help verify compliance with the standard and enable users to refer to the appropriate method of analysis.

- **Point 5 - Insect bored kernels:**

- It is proposed to the CCMAS to develop or specify the appropriate method of analysis for this criterion.

Incorporating the aforementioned clarifications into the general standard (**CXS 234-1999**) will help avoid confusion among Wheat and Durum Wheat exporters and importers regarding the applicable methods of analysis. This will also contribute to the facilitation of international trade in Wheat and Durum Wheat.

Furthermore, the CCCPL11 has endorsed the proposal to revise the *Standard for wheat and durum wheat* (CXS 199-1995) and the draft revision document is scheduled for review at the 12th session of CCCPL.