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SUBJECT: **Request for comments at Step 6 on the draft revision of the Code of Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Mycotoxin Contamination in Cereals (CAC/RCP 51-2003) (general provisions applicable to mycotoxins in cereals) (REP15/CF, Appendix VII)**

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BACKGROUND

1. The 9th Session of the Committee on Contaminants in Food (CCCF) (March 2015) agreed that the main text of the Code regarding general provisions applicable to mycotoxins in cereals could be advanced in the Step process. A few issues that needed to be considered or revised e.g. the use of certain terminology such as “infection” and “contamination”; the need to more correctly refer to toxigenic species of *Aspergillus* and other matters, could be addressed in the next round of comments.
2. The Delegation of Brazil noted that the Code of Practice (COP) could refer to toxigenic species of *Aspergillus*, but that the issue of terminology had been discussed previously; that the terms were not being used synonymously and as such they were correct in the document.
3. The Committee agreed to forward the main text of the Code to the 38th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) (July 2015) for adoption at Step 5.¹
4. The Commission adopted the general provisions in the COP at Step 5 and advanced them to Step 6 for comments and further consideration by the next session of CCCF.²

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

5. Codex members and observers wishing to submit comments on the draft revision of the Code of Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Mycotoxin Contamination in Cereals (CAC/RCP 51-2003) (general provisions applicable to mycotoxins in cereals) should do so in writing as directed above.

¹ [REP15/CF](#), paras 101-104

² [REP15/CAC](#), Appendix IV