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**TO** Codex Contact Points  
Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex

**FROM** Secretariat,  
Codex Alimentarius Commission,  
Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

**SUBJECT** Request for comments on alignment of the food additive provisions of commodity standards

**DEADLINE** 10 June 2021

**COMMENTS** **To:**  
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## BACKGROUND

1. After publishing CX/FA 20/52/6, CCFA52 has been rescheduled to September 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The updated document i.e. CX/FA 21/52/6 includes some editorial corrections to CX/FA 20/52/6 Rev.1 and the further elaboration of the issues in Appendix 1. Background information is available in CX/FA 21/52/6.
2. The alignment proposals arising from the work undertaken by the Electronic Working Group (EWG) on alignment in 2020 are not included in CX/FA 21/52/6 and these will be discussed at a future session of the Committee.
3. A virtual Working Group meeting on Alignment scheduled on Thursday 24 June will consider CX/FA 21/52/6, including the comments received in response to this circular letter.
4. Guidelines for comments is provided in Annex I.

## REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

5. In order to facilitate the discussion of the virtual Working Group meeting on Alignment, Codex Members and Observers are invited to provide their comments on CX/FA 21/52/6.
6. Attention is drawn in particular to the key issues in Part A, Appendix 1 of CX/FA 21/52/6 which will be discussed at the virtual Working Group meeting in June.
7. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Point or recognized international organizations having granted observer status with the Codex Alimentarius Commission. Comments should be formulated in accordance with the relevant general guidelines and presented in a Word file for easy analysis and compilation.

**GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR COMMENTS**

1. In order to facilitate the collection of comments and to prepare a useful document with all of them, Members and Observers are kindly requested to submit comments under the following headings:

(I) General comments

(II) Specific comments

2. In specific comments, a reference to the section/paragraph/provision of the document in question should be included.

3. Members and observers are requested, when proposing amendments to specific sections/paragraphs/provisions, to accompany their proposed amendment with the appropriate technical basis. Additional texts should be underlined / bold and deletions crossed out.

4. In order to facilitate the work of the Secretariats, we kindly ask you to avoid texts with colors or shading, nor to use the change control, since the documents are printed in black and white, and the marks usually disappear when copying and pasting the comments in the compiled document.

5. Members and Observers are requested to avoid reproducing the full document, but only those parts of the text in which changes and / or amendments are proposed.