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Agenda Item 1

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### CODEX COMMITTEE ON FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- Item 1**      **Adoption of the Provisional Agenda (CX/FFV 00/1):** The Committee will be invited to adopt the Provisional Agenda as its Agenda for the Session.
- Item 2(a)**    **Matters of Interest to the Committee arising from the Codex Alimentarius Commission and other Codex Committees (CX/FFV 00/2):** Matters of interest arising from the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Rome, Italy, 28 June – 3 July 1999) especially as regards Section 2.1.1 – Maturity Requirements of the Codex Standard for Pineapples (ALINORM 99/37, par. 160) and other relevant Codex committees are summarized in the working paper.
- Item 2(b)**    **Matters of Interest related to the Standardization of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables arising from other International Organizations (CX/FFV 00/3):** Matters of interest arising from the Sessions of the *UN/ECE Specialized Section on Coordination of Standardization of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables* and the Sessions of the *Working Party on Standardization of Perishable Produce and Quality Development* as well as the *OECD Scheme for the Application of International Standards for Fruits and Vegetables* and other international organization involved in the work of standardization of fresh produce are summarized in the working paper.
- Item 2c(i-v)**    **UN/ECE Standards for Asparagus (FFV-04), Citrus Fruit (FFV-14), Apples and Pears (FFV-01), Table Grapes (FFV-19) and Tomatoes (FFV-36) (CX/FFV 00/4):** The UN/ECE standards for the above-mentioned produce are being circulated by the Codex Secretariat as directed by the 43<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Executive Committee, namely: “*The Executive Committee requested that relevant UN/ECE Standards be distributed as working documents for the Codex Committee on Fresh Fruits and Vegetables when like products were being considered*” (ALINORM 97/3, par. 15).
- Item 3(a)**    **Draft Codex Standard for Tiquisque at Step 7 (ALINORM 99/35A-App.V):** The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV (Mexico City, Mexico, 1-5 March 1999) advanced the *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Tiquisque* to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission for adoption at Step 5/8 with the omission of Steps 6 and 7 (ALINORM 99/35A para. 117). The Commission decided not to omit Steps 6 and 7 and adopted the text at Step 5, advancing it to Step 6 (ALINORM 99/37, para. 162 and App.VII-Part 2). The *Draft Codex Standard for Tiquisque* is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/5.
- Item 3(b)**    **Draft Codex Standard for Yellow Pitahayas at Step 7 (ALINORM 99/35A-App.VI):** The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV advanced the *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Yellow Pitahayas* to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission for adoption at Step 5/8 with the omission of Steps 6 and 7 (ALINORM 99/35A para. 155). The Commission decided not to omit Steps 6 and 7 and adopted the text at Step 5, advancing it to Step 6 (ALINORM 99/37, para. 162 and App.VII-Part 2). The *Draft Codex Standard for Yellow Pitahayas* is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/6.
- Item 3(c)**    **Draft Revised Codex Standard for Papayas at Step 7 (ALINORM 99/35A-App.VII):** The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV advanced the *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Papayas* to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission for adoption at Step 5/8 with the omission of Steps 6 and 7 (ALINORM 99/35A para. 167). The Commission decided not to omit Steps 6 and 7 and adopted the text at Step 5, advancing it to Step 6 (ALINORM 99/37, para. 162 and App.VII-Part 2). The *Draft Revised Codex Standard for Papayas* is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/7.
- Item 3(d)**    **Draft Codex Standard for Asparagus at Step 7 (ALINORM 99/35A-App. IX):** The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV advanced the *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Asparagus* to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission for adoption at Step 5 (ALINORM 99/35A para. 87). The Commission adopted the text at Step 5 as proposed (ALINORM 99/37, App.VII-Part 2). The *Draft Codex Standard for Asparagus* is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/8.

**Item 3(e)** **Draft Codex Standard for Oranges including Guide for Use in Scoring Freezing Injury at Step 7** (ALINORM 99/35A-App. X): The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV advanced the *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Oranges including Guide for Use in Scoring Freezing Injury* to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission for adoption at Step 5 (ALINORM 99/35A para. 108). The Commission adopted the text at Step 5 with the square brackets on the provisions on *Colouring* and *Sizing* (ALINORM 99/37, para. 193 and App. VII-Part 2). The *Draft Codex Standard for Oranges including Guide for Use in Scoring Freezing Injury* is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/9.

**Item 3f(i-iii)** i. **Section 3 – Provisions concerning Sizing at Step 7 (Codex Standard for Grapefruits)** (ALINORM 99/35A-App.VIII): The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV agreed to return *Section 3 – Provisions concerning Sizing* of the *Codex Standard for Grapefruits* to Step 6 for further comments and consideration by the next session of the Committee (ALINORM 99/35A, paras. 54-57 & 62 and ALINORM 99/37 para. 159). The text is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/10.

ii. **Section 2.1.2 – Minimum Juice Content (Codex Standard for Limes) and Section 3 – Provisions concerning Sizing at Step 7 (Codex Standard for Limes)** (ALINORM 99/35-App. II): The 7<sup>th</sup> CCFFV (Mexico City, Mexico, 8-12 September 1997) advanced the *Draft Codex Standard for Limes* to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission for adoption at Step 8 with the understanding that the sections into square brackets on *Minimum Juice Content* and *Sizing* would be finalized by the 8<sup>th</sup> Session of the CCFFV (ALINORM 99/35 paras. 23, 25 & 28). The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV could not finalize the draft. As a result, the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Commission adopted the *Draft Codex Standard for Limes* at Step 8 and returned the sections into square brackets to Step 6 for further consideration and finalization at the next Committee's session (ALINORM 99/37, para. 159). The text is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/10.

iii. **Section 3 – Provisions concerning Sizing at Step 7 (Codex Standard for Pummelos)** (ALINORM 99/35-App.III): The 7<sup>th</sup> CCFFV advanced the *Draft Codex Standard for Pummelos* to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission for adoption at Step 8 with the understanding that the section on *Sizing* would be placed into square brackets and finalized by the 8<sup>th</sup> Session of the CCFFV (ALINORM 99/35 paras. 33 & 34). The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV could not finalize the draft. As a result, the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Commission adopted the *Draft Codex Standard for Pummelos* at Step 8 and returned the section on *Sizing* to Step 6 for further consideration and finalization at the next Committee's session (ALINORM 99/37, para. 159). The text is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/10.

**Item 3(g)** **Draft Codex Standard for Cape Gooseberry at Step 7** (ALINORM 99/35A-App. XI): The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV advanced the *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Cape Gooseberry* to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission for adoption at Step 5 (ALINORM 99/35A, para. 145). The Commission adopted the text at Step 5 as proposed (ALINORM 99/37, App. VII-Part 2). The *Draft Codex Standard for Cape Gooseberry* is being circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/11.

**Item 3(h)** **Draft Code of Practice for the Quality Inspection and Certification of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables AT STEP 7 and its Proposed Draft Annex II – Inspection Site Requisites AT STEP 4** (CX/FFV 00/12): The 7<sup>th</sup> CCFFV decided to retain the Draft Code at Step 7 and its Proposed Draft Annex II at Step 3 in order to evaluate the need for a specific Code for the inspection and certification of fresh fruits and vegetables (ALINORM 99/35, para. 75). The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV agreed to defer the consideration of the *Draft Code* and its *Proposed Draft Annex II* until the next session of the Committee and to re-circulate them for comments at Step 6 and 3 respectively (ALINORM 99/35A, paras. 170, 172 & 173). The *Draft Code of Practice for the Quality Inspection and Certification of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables* and its *Proposed Draft Annex II – Inspection Site Requisites* are being circulated for comments at Step 6 & 3 respectively under CX/FFV 00/12. Comments submitted at Step 6 & 3 respectively are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/12-Add.1.

- Item 4(a)** **Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Cassava at Step 4** (CX/FFV 00/13): The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV agreed to return the *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Cassava* at Step 3 for further comments and consideration at its next Session (ALINORM 99/35A, para. 131). The Proposed Draft is being circulated for comments at Step 3 under CX/FFV 00/13. Comments submitted at Step 6 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/13-Add.1.
- Item 4(b)** **Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Apples at Step 4** (CX/FFV 00/14): The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV accepted the offer of Uruguay, assisted by Argentina and the United States, to prepare a *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Apples* (ALINORM 99/35A, paras. 186 & 188). The Proposed Draft was adopted by the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission as new work (ALINORM 99/37, para. 206), and it is being circulated for comments at Step 3 under CX/FFV 00/14. Comments submitted at Step 3 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/14-Add.1.
- Item 4(c)** **Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Table Grapes at Step 4** (CX/FFV 00/15): The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV accepted the offer of Chile, assisted by the United States, to prepare a *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Table Grapes* (ALINORM 99/35A, paras. 186 & 188). The Proposed Draft was adopted by the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission as new work (ALINORM 99/37, para. 206), and it is being circulated for comments at Step 3 under CX/FFV 00/15. Comments submitted at Step 3 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/15-Add.1.
- Item 4(d)** **Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Tomatoes at Step 4** (CX/FFV 00/16): The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV accepted the offer of Mexico, assisted by the United States, to prepare a *Proposed Draft Codex Standard for Tomatoes* (ALINORM 99/35A, paras. 186 & 188). The Proposed Draft was adopted by the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission as new work (ALINORM 99/37, para. 206), and it is being circulated for comments at Step 3 under CX/FFV 00/16. Comments submitted at Step 3 are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/16-Add.1.
- Item 5(a)** **Discussion Paper on the Establishment of Size Tolerances** (CX/FFV 00/17): The 7<sup>th</sup> CCFFV accepted the offer of the Delegation of the United States to prepare a discussion paper concerning the *Establishment of Size Tolerances* for consideration at its next Session (ALINORM 99/35, para. 89). The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV agreed that the document should be circulated for comments and information in order to discuss this question at the next Session of CCFFV (ALINORM 99/35A para. 176). Comments and information submitted are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/17-Add.1.
- Item 5(b)** **Discussion Paper on Definitions for Terms used in Codex Standards** (CX/FFV 00/18): The 7<sup>th</sup> CCFFV accepted the offer of the Delegation of the United States to prepare a discussion paper on *Definitions of Terms used in Codex Standards* for consideration at its next Session (ALINORM 99/35, para. 89). The 8<sup>th</sup> CCFFV agreed to consider this issue at the next Session of CCFFV (ALINORM 99/35A para. 179). Comments submitted are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/18-Add.1.
- Item 6** **Proposals for Amendments to the Priority List for the Standardization of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables** (ALINORM 99/35A-App.XII): The Committee may propose the removal and/or inclusion of new fresh produce for future work taking into account the *Criteria for the Establishment of Work Priorities* (Codex Procedural Manual, 11th Edition, page 66) and the work already done by other international standardization organizations in this field. The new work undertaken shall be approved by the 24<sup>th</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Geneva, Switzerland, 2-7 July 2001). Comments submitted are summarized in document CX/FFV 00/19.
- Item 7** **Other Business and Future Work:** The Committee may propose the inclusion of proposals for future work, subjected to the approval of the Commission or its Executive Committee.
- Item 8** **Date and Place of the Next Session:** The Committee will be advised of the tentative dates of the next session.
- Item 9** **Adoption of the Report:** The Committee shall adopt the report of its 9<sup>th</sup> Session, based on a draft provided by the Codex Secretariat.