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Agenda Item 6

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Comments of Malaysia

AGENDA ITEM 6 - PROPOSED DRAFT MAXIMUM LEVELS FOR CADMIUM IN CHOCOLATE AND **COCOA-DERIVED PRODUCTS**

Malaysia would like to thank members of the electronic Working Group (eWG) chaired by Equador and cochaired by Brazil and Ghana in preparing the document.

Malaysia would like to comment for the following items in Appendix I of the document:

Appendix 1

Due to all of the considerations laid out by the eWG, Malaysia supports a new Call for Data of cadmium occurrence for all the chocolate categories and cocoa powder for reevaluation of all MLs, request a new reevaluation to JECFA and postpone the proposal for MLs in the table in Appendix I, as in Options 1, 2 and 3. In addition, Malaysia also supports the request to CCMAS to work on a standard methodology to determine cadmium in chocolates, as in Option 5.