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Comments of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

The kingdom of Saudi Arabia would like to thank Committees of CCSCHE, CCCF, CCFA and the TFAMR for their efforts.

Saudi Arabia would like to highlight the comments on agenda item 4.1, 4.7 & 4.9.

AGENDA ITEM 4.1 CODEX COMMITTEE ON SPICES AND CULINARY HERBS

Draft standard for dried seeds – nutmeg

General Comments:

Saudi Arabia noticed that Nutmeg might have a detrimental effect on health since this product contains "myristicin and methoxysafrole - according to many scientific researches.. Therefore, introducing a clause about the safety of nutmeg and mace will meet the requirements to ensure the food safety of this product.

AGENDA ITEM 4.7 CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD ADDITIVES

Priority List of substances proposed for evaluation by JECFA

General Comments:

Saudi Arabia recommends that INS 171 be re-evaluated and placed as a high priority in the list of food additives subject to JECFA evaluation.

AGENDA ITEM 4.9 AD HOC CODEX INTERGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE ON ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE (TFAMR)

General Comments:

The kingdom of Saudi Arabia would like to thank the TFAMR Commission for their work and contributions in the finalization of the Code of Practice to help minimize and contain foodborne anti-microbial resistance and the guidelines on integrated monitoring and surveillance on foodborne antimicrobial resistance. We also support the adoption of the above documents.

Saudi Arabia appreciates the opportunity offered to submit this Conference Room Document, looking forward to discussing the Intermediate draft at the upcoming plenary session of the Commission.