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Agenda Item 4.2

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(Comments of Jamaica)

Agenda Item 4.2: Review of Methods of Analysis in CXS 234: Fish and Fishery Products Workable Package

For CXS 292-2008, Jamaica supports the prohibition of the mouse bioassay technique to facilitate the analysis of Paralytic Shellfish Toxins due to animal health concerns. We further support the recommendation to use the method, "H.J. van den Top, A. Gerssen, P. McCarron, H.P. van Egmond. Quantitative determination of marine lipophilic toxins in mussels, oysters and cockles using liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry: inter-laboratory validation study. Food Additives & Contaminants: Part A, 2011, Vol. 28, Iss. 12" to replace the mouse bioassay technique, as it meets the numerical criteria for the specified toxins.

This in reply to CL 2024/15-MAS