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CODEX COMMITTEE ON SPICES AND CULINARY HERBS

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IN-SESSION WORKING GROUP REPORT

Agenda item 5.1

REPORT OF THE IN-SESSION WORKING GROUP ON PRIORITIES

Terms of reference

The Committee agreed to establish an in-session Working Group (WG), chaired by India to:

- i. Consider proposals for new work submitted in reply to CL 2023/01-SCH (Agenda Item 5.1, 5.1 Add1, CRD 06, CRD7);
- ii. Prepare a CRD with recommendations for consideration by the plenary

The project proposals submitted to CCSC7 for the elaboration of standards Dried Marjoram (Egypt), Dried Coriander (India), Dried Large Cardamom (Jointly Nepal and Bhutan), Dried Cinnamon (Brazil) were discussed, summarized and found in accordance with the Establishment of Work Priorities-Criteria applicable to Commodity.

The IWG suggested the following:

Project document for Dried Marjoram:

To include reference citation in the table 1, elaborate criteria d) Amenability of commodity to standardization, take into account the Strategic Plan of the CAC 2020-2025 for criteria in Relevance to CODEX strategic objectives, Proposed Time Schedule to be revised and not to include specific CAC sessions

Project document for Dried Coriander:

To include footnote for K and M in the table 1, IWG noted that no export quantity was available at some places however value wise data was available in table 2 and table 3, it was suggested by IWG to update the project document.

Project document for Dried Large Cardamom:

It was noted that Table 1a, includes the data for Cardamom (Both Large Cardamom and Small cardamom) along with Nutmeg and Mace, table 2a, included data for both Large Cardamom and Small Cardamom. IWG suggested to include table 4a and 4b in the criteria a) Volume of production and consumption in individual countries and volume and pattern of trade between countries.

Project document for Dried Cinnamon:

To include footnote for K and M in the table 1 and to elaborate criteria d) Amenability of commodity to standardization. It was noted that table 1 and table 3 includes data for both Cinnamon and Cinnamon-tree flowers,

The changes suggested by the in-session working group was agreed by the countries who submitted the new work proposal and IWG suggested to submit the revised new work proposal as CRD.

Dried Roots, Rhizomes, Bulbs –Galangal; Greater Galangal; Lesser Galangal; Horseradish Root; Onions and Shallots (United States of America) was not discussed during the in-session working group.

Recommendation: IWG recommended that the CCSCH submit the four new work proposals Dried Marjoram (Egypt), Dried Coriander (India), Dried Large Cardamom (Jointly Nepal and Bhutan), Dried Cinnamon (Brazil) for approval to the CAC.