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REVIEW OF THE LIST OF ACCEPTABLE PREVIOUS CARGOES (APPENDIX II TO CXC 36-1987)

(Comments from Ghana, Uganda and FOSFA International)

Ghana

Position: Ghana does not support Senegal's position.

Rationale: Ghana is of the view that the sentence is self-explanatory in that 'Where it is not possible to transport edible fats and oils in bulk in tankers reserved for foodstuffs only, the possibility of contamination incidents is reduced by carriage in tankers in which the previous cargo is included in the list of previous cargoes.

Uganda

Uganda agrees with the Codex list of acceptable previous cargoes and accept some editorial changes such as; To replace the word 'necessary' with 'necessarily' 'Parafin' with '(paraffin wax)' 'Viscocity' with 'viscosity''lpropanol' with '1-propanol'

FOSFA International

FOSFA International would like to thank Malaysia for preparing the report on the Review of the list of acceptable previous cargoes on fats and oils - Appendix 2 of CXC 36-1987 (CX/FO 21/27/07).

We noted the comment submitted by Peru:

Peru is in accordance with Federation of Oils, Seeds and Fats Associations (FOSFA) standards on restrictions of carriage of oils and proposed that restriction of previous cargoes for leaded products be included. Peru proposed to insert the following a sentence at the end of the List of acceptable previous cargoes; "leaded products will not be carried as the three previous cargoes".

In the report the Secretariat's response to the comment was as follows:

"With regard to comments received from Peru, Malaysia would like to note that the concern is already addressed as leaded products (shall not be carried as three previous cargoes) is listed in Appendix 3: List of banned immediate previous cargoes of CXC 36-1987."

FOSFA agrees with Peru's comment and would like to point out that as the CODEX Acceptable and Banned lists are currently written, leaded products can be a 2nd and 3rd previous cargo (as well as styrene monomer and ethylene dichloride in organic coated tanks) when trading on the CODEX Acceptable list terms. According to the current requirements in the CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE STORAGE AND TRANSPORT OF EDIBLE FATS AND OILS IN BULK (CAC/RCP 36 - 1987), the restrictions beyond the immediate previous cargoes only applies to the CODEX List of Banned previous cargoes whereas they should apply to both Acceptable and Banned previous cargoes lists.

The restrictions beyond the immediate previous cargoes on the Acceptable list should therefore be included in the Notes to APPENDIX 2: CODEX LIST OF ACCEPTABLE PREVIOUS CARGOES:

Restrictions beyond the Immediate Previous Cargo:

- Leaded products shall not be carried as the three previous cargoes
- Ethylene Dichloride and Styrene Monomer (both of which are on the Banned List) shall not be carried as the three previous cargoes in organic coated tanks