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Section 9 (Methods of Analysis and Sampling) should include methods of analysis on all the physical and chemical characteristics described in Table 2 through Table 5 of Section 3 (Quality Factors). However, the analysis methods on some physical characteristics (Foreign Matter and Mouldy Berries) are not shown in Table 7 (Methods of Analysis), and the titles of characteristic provisions are not consistent with those of the analysis provisions.

Therefore, the Republic of Korea would like to suggest that the analysis methods on the two characteristics mentioned above be described in Section 9, and that consistent titles are used between characteristics provisions and analysis provisions.

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The Republic of Korea holds the view that the definitions for further processing and industrial processing proposed by the United States may be accepted if the sentence of the scope is amended as below taking into consideration the industrial use of SCH. However, these definitions should be applied exclusively to CCSCH.

This is because the definitions may differ according to the preparation, processing method, or trade pattern of respective product. In fact, among the standards developed by CCFFV, CCPFV or the Regional Coordinating Committees, there are some standards that exclude further processing in the scope, while there are others that include it. (Refer to *Codex Standard for Non-Fermented Soybean Products; CODEX STAN 322R-2015*).

(Suggested sentence)

1. SCOPE

This standard applies to (*name of product*), <u>as defined in Section 2 below</u>, and offered for direct consumption, including catering purposes, repacking or <u>further processing</u> if required. It does not apply to the product when indicated as being intended for <u>industrial processing</u>.