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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION

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**MATTERS REFERRED TO THE COMMISSION BY CODEX COMMITTEES
AND TASK FORCES**

(September 2011 to March 2012)

A. MATTERS RELATED TO REQUESTS FROM THE COMMISSION

Review of existing Codex texts in relation to animal feeding

The 33rd Session of the Commission agreed to refer the proposed reviews of existing Codex risk analysis principles as to their applicability to animal feed, to the relevant committees, i.e. CCGP, CCFA, CCCF, CCPR, CCRVDF and CCFICS for review. The following are further developments since the 34th Session of the Commission:

Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems

The Committee agreed that more reflection was necessary on how to address feed in CCFICS texts related to emergency and agreed that this work would be covered by the discussion paper on the need for further Codex guidance on food safety emergency situations (REP12/FICS, para. 7).

Committee on Contaminants in Foods

The Committee agreed to forward to the Commission for adoption the revised *Risk Analysis Principles Applied by the Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods*, the revised *Code of Practice for Source Directed Measures to Reduce Contamination of Food with Chemicals* (CAC/RCP 49-2001) and the revised definition of "Contaminant" which, as part of the revision process, specifies applicability to feed where appropriate (REP11/CF, paras 8-9 and REP12/CF, paras 22 and 38 and Appendices II, III and IV).

Revision of standards for meat products

The request from the 32nd Session of the Commission to revise the list of food additive provisions of the standards for meat products has been considered by the Committee on Food Additives since its 42nd Session.

At its 44th Session the Committee agreed to continue testing the decision-tree approach for the alignment of the food additives provisions in commodity standards and the GSFA and prepare a proposal for the revision of the food additive provisions of the five standards for processed meat and the relevant food categories of the GSFA for consideration at its next Session (REP12/FA, para. 59).

Revocation / revision of: *Information on the Use of Food Additives in Food* (CAC/MISC 1-1989) and the *Guidelines for Simple Evaluation of Food Additive Intake* (CAC/GL 3-1989)

In response to the request of the 34th Session of the Commission to consider the need to revoke or revise the above two texts, the 44th Session of the Committee on Food Additives recommended to the 35th Session of the Commission to revoke the *Information on the Use of Food Additives in Food* (CAC/MISC 1-1989) (see Agenda Item 6). It further agreed to establish an electronic Working Group, to prepare a project document on new work for the revision of the *Guidelines for Simple Evaluation of Food Additive Intake* (CAC/GL 3-1989) and possibly including an outline of the revised Guidelines, for consideration at its next Session (REP12/FA, para. 13).