TO: Codex Contact Points  
Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex

FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,  
Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

SUBJECT: Request for comments on the draft amendments/revisions to the Standards and Code of Practice for Fats and Oils for adoption by the 47th Session of the Commission

DEADLINE: 1 OCTOBER 2024

BACKGROUND
1. The report of the 28th Session of the Codex Committee on Fats and Oils (CCFO) (REP24/FO) will be considered by the 47th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Geneva, Switzerland, 25 - 30 November 2024).

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS
2. Codex Members and Observers are invited to submit comments on the following matters for adoption by the Commission, which have been uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/, as per the guidance below.

   Final Adoption at Step 8 and 5/8
   2.1 Revision to the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CXS 210-1999):
   - Inclusion of avocado oil - REP24/FO, paragraph 44, Appendix V
   - Inclusion of Camellia seed oil - REP24/FO, paragraph 51, Appendix VI
   - Inclusion of Sacha inchi oil - REP24/FO, paragraph 55, Appendix VII
   - Inclusion of high oleic acid Soya bean oil - REP24/FO, paragraph 62, Appendix VIII

   2.2 Revision to the Standard for Olive Oils and Olive Pomace Oils (CXS 33-1981): Revision of Sections 3, 8 and Appendix - REP24/FO, paragraph 85 (i), Appendix IX

   2.3 Revision to the Standard for Fish Oils (CXS 329-2017) - Inclusion of Calanus oil REP24/FO, paragraph 103, Appendix X

   Other matters

   2.5 Amendments/Revisions to the Code of practice for the storage and transport of edible fats and oils in bulk (CXC 36-1987) – REP24/FO paragraph 33(vi), 118(i) and Appendix III (Part A & B)

3. Comments should address whether the amendments/revision to the above-mentioned standards are ready for adoption or not; and if not, provide the rationale and proposals to facilitate adoption. Comments should be provided in conformity with the Procedure for the elaboration of Codex standards and related texts (Part 3 – Uniform procedure for the elaboration of Codex standards and related texts), Procedural Manual of the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS
4. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers using the OCS.

5. Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers may login to the OCS and access the document open for comments by selecting “Enter” in the “My reviews” page, available after login to the system.
6. Contact Points of Codex Members and Observers organizations are requested to provide general comments at the document level. Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).

7. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can be found at the following link: http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/ocs/en/.

8. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.