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Agenda Item 1

CX/PFV 08/24/1
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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME
CODEX COMMITTEE ON PROCESSED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

24th Session
Arlington, VA (Washington DC metro area), U.S.A.,
15 – 20 September 2008

To be held in the Hilton Arlington, Arlington, VA (Washington DC metro area),
from Monday 15 September, at 09.00 hours, to Saturday 20 September 2008

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

| Agenda Item | Subject Matter | Document Identification |
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| 1 | Adoption of the Provisional Agenda | CX/PFV 08/24/1 |
| 2 | Matters referred to the Committee by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and/or its Subsidiary Bodies | CX/PFV 08/24/2 |
| 3 | Draft Codex Standard for Jams, Jellies and Marmalades (Step 7) | ALINORM 07/30/27-App.VI |
| | - Comments at Step 6 (CL 2007/22-PFV) | CX/PFV 08/24/3 |
| 4a | Draft Codex Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables (general provisions) (Step 7) | ALINORM 07/30/27-App.VII |
| | - Comments at Step 6 (CL 2007/22-PFV) | CX/PFV 08/24/4 |
| 4b | Proposed draft Annexes specific to Certain Canned Vegetables (draft Codex Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables) (Step 4) | CX/PFV 08/24/5 |
| | 1. Asparagus | |
| | 2. Carrots | |
| | 3. Green Beans or Wax Beans | |
| | 4. Green Peas | |
| | 5. Palm | |
| | 6. Mature Processed Peas | |
| | 7. Sweet Corn | |
| | 8. Baby Corn or Young Corn | |
| | - Comments at Step 3 | CX/PFV 08/24/5-Add.1 |
| 4c | Proposed draft Guidelines for Packing Media for Canned Vegetables (Step 4) | CX/PFV 08/24/6 |
| | - Comments at Step 3 | CX/PFV 08/24/6-Add.1 |

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| 5 | Proposed draft Sampling Plans including Metrological Provisions for Controlling Minimum Drained Weight of Canned Fruits and Vegetables in Packing Media (Step 4) | CX/PFV 08/24/7 |
| | - Comments at Step 3 | CX/PFV 08/24/7-Add.1 |
| 6 | Methods of Analysis for Processed Fruits and Vegetables - Codex Standard for Aqueous Coconut Products: Coconut Cream and Coconut Milk (CODEX STAN 240-2003) | ALINORM 07/30/27-App.XII |
| | - Comments (CL 2006/56-PFV) | CX/PFV 08/24/8 CX/PFV 08/24/8-Add.1 |
| 7 | Food Additive Provisions for Processed Fruits and Vegetables | ALINORM 07/30/27-App.XIII |
| | - Comments (CL 2006/56-PFV) | CX/PFV 08/24/9 |
| 8 | Proposed Layout for Codex Standards for Processed Fruits and Vegetables | CX/PFV 08/24/10 |
| | - Comments | CX/PFV 08/24/10-Add.1 |
| 9 | Proposals for Amendments to the Priority List for the Standardization of Processed Fruits and Vegetables | ALINORM 07/30/27-App.XI |
| | - Comments (CL 2006/56-PFV) | CX/PFV 08/24/11 |
| 10 | Other Business | |
| 11 | Date and Place of the Next Session | |
| 12 | Adoption of the Report | |

**DRAFT TIMETABLE
FOR AGENDA ITEMS**

| DAY | ITEMS |
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| Monday, 15 September | 1, 2, 3, 4a |
| Tuesday, 16 September | 4a (continued), 4b, 4c |
| Wednesday, 17 September | 4c (continued), 5, 6, 7 |
| Thursday, 18 September | 7 (continued), 8, 9, 10 |
| Friday, 19 September (a.m.) | (if necessary) |
| Saturday, 20 September | 12 (Adoption of report) |

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Delegates should bring to the meeting all documents which have been distributed, as the number of additional copies which can be made available at the meeting is limited.

EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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| Item 1 | <p>Adoption of the Provisional Agenda (CX/PFV 08/24/1)</p> <p>The Committee will be invited to adopt the Provisional Agenda as its Agenda for the Session.</p> |
| Item 2 | <p>Matters referred to the Task Force by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and/or its Subsidiary Bodies (CX/PFV 08/24/2)</p> <p>Matters of interest/referred to the Committee arising from the Codex Alimentarius Commission and other relevant Codex Committees and Task Forces are contained in the working document.</p> |
| Item 3 | <p>Draft Codex Standard for Jams, Jellies and Marmalades (ALINORM 07/30/27-App.VI)</p> <p>The 23rd Session of the Committee considered the proposed draft Standard for Jams, Jellies and Marmalades and made a number of observations, amendments and agreements. Due to time constraints, the Committee discontinued the consideration of the Standard and agreed to discuss the remaining text at its next session. The Committee agreed to forward the Standard to Step 5 for adoption by the Commission. The 30th Session of the Commission adopted the proposed draft Standard at Step 5 as proposed by the Committee.</p> <p>The <i>draft Codex Standard for Jams, Jellies and Marmalades</i> has been circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 2007/22-PFV. Particular attention was drawn to those sections that need further discussion in the Committee e.g. Sections 3.1.3 through 9 especially those in square brackets in order to facilitate the finalization of the Standard. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/3.</p> |
| Item 4a | <p>Draft Codex Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables (general provisions) (ALINORM 07/30/27-App.VII)</p> <p>The 23rd Session of the Committee considered the proposed draft Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables and identified generic provisions applying to all canned vegetables covered in the Scope to be dealt with in the body of the Standard while the vegetable-specific provisions were left in separate annexes to the Standard. This approach would allow for progress of the body and the annexes at different stages in the Step Procedure. The Committee agreed to forward the body of the Standard to Step 5 for adoption by the Commission. The 30th Session of the Commission adopted the general provisions in the proposed draft Standard at Step 5 as proposed by the Committee.</p> <p>The <i>draft Codex Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables (general provisions)</i> has been circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 2007/22-PFV. Particular attention was drawn to those sections that need further discussion in the Committee e.g. food additive provisions commonly applying to canned vegetables covered by the Standard. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/4.</p> |
| Item 4b | <p>Proposed draft Annexes specific to Certain Canned Vegetables (draft Codex Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables) (CX/PFV 08/24/5)</p> <p>The 23rd Session of the Committee considered the proposed draft Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables and agreed to return the Annexes to Step 3 for comments, redrafting by a Working Group led by France and further consideration by the next session of the Committee. The Working Group revised the Annexes based on the comments submitted at the last Session and those presented in response to CL 2006/56-PFV and prepared a new version for additional comments and consideration by the next session of the Committee.</p> <p>The <i>proposed draft Annexes specific to Certain Canned Vegetables (draft Codex Standard for Certain Canned Vegetables)</i> have been circulated for comments at Step 3 under CX/PFV 08/24/5. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/5-Add.1.</p> |

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| Item 4c | <p>Proposed draft Guidelines for Packing Media for Canned Vegetables (CX/PFV 08/24/6)</p> <p>The 23rd Session of the Committee agreed to return the proposed draft Guidelines for Packing Media on Canned Vegetables to Step 3 for comments, redrafting by a Working Group led by France and further consideration by the next session of the Committee. The Working Group revised the Guidelines based on the comments submitted at the last Session and those presented in response to CL 2006/56-PFV and prepared a new version for additional comments and consideration by the next session of the Committee.</p> <p>The <i>proposed draft Guidelines for Packing Media for Canned Vegetables</i> have been circulated for comments at Step 3 under CX/PFV 08/24/6. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/6-Add.1.</p> |
| Item 5 | <p>Proposed draft Sampling Plans including Metrological Provisions for Controlling Minimum Drained Weight of Canned Fruits and Vegetables in Packing Media (CX/PFV 08/24/7)</p> <p>The 23rd Session of the Committee, when discussing provisions for weights and measures in various standards for processed fruits and vegetables, agreed that future work on the development of sampling plans for the control of minimum drained weight would be considered since the current provision in the standards for processed fruits and vegetables was too subjective. The Committee therefore agreed to submit a proposal for the development of sampling plans including metrological provisions for controlling minimum drained weight of canned fruits and vegetables as new work for approval by the Commission. The 30th Session of the Commission agreed to this proposal while amending the title to make it specific to canned fruits and vegetables in packing media as there are other canned fruits and vegetables not requiring provisions for minimum drained weight.</p> <p>The <i>proposed draft Sampling Plans including Metrological Provisions for Controlling Minimum Drained Weight of Canned Fruits and Vegetables in Packing Media</i> has been circulated for comments at Step 3 under CX/PFV 08/24/7. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/7-Add.1.</p> |
| Item 6 | <p>Methods of Analysis for Processed Fruits and Vegetables – Codex Standard for Aqueous Coconut Products: Coconut Cream and Coconut Milk (CODEX STAN 240-2003) (ALINORM 07/30/27-App.XII)</p> <p>The 23rd Session of the Committee, when discussing provisions for methods of analysis in various standards for processed fruits and vegetables, agreed to request further comments on methods of analysis for aqueous coconut products for consideration at its next session. Comments should be submitted in response to the request of the Codex Committee of Methods of Analysis and Sampling as to whether these methods apply to coconut cream and coconut milk since the methods proposed apply to milk.</p> <p>Codex Members and Observers wishing to submit comments on the above matter should do so in conformity with the <i>General Criteria for the Selection of Methods of Analysis</i> as set out in the <i>Principles for the Establishment of Codex Methods of Analysis</i> and the <i>Relations between Commodity Committees and General Committees (Methods of Analysis and Sampling)</i> of the Codex Alimentarius Procedural Manual.</p> <p>The proposed methods of analysis for these products have been circulated for comments through CL 2006/56-PFV. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/8.</p> |
| Item 7 | <p>Food Additive Provisions for Processed Fruits and Vegetables (ALINORM 07/30/27-App.XIII)</p> <p>The 23rd Session of the Committee, when discussing provisions for additives in various standards for processed fruits and vegetables, agreed to append to its report a list of food additives for the various standards under consideration for comments on the technological justification for the use of these additives and on the proposed levels for possible inclusion in the standards under study at its next session.</p> <p>Codex Members and Observers wishing to submit comments on the above matter should do so in conformity with the criteria established in the <i>General Standard for Food Additives (CODEX STAN 192-1995)</i> and the <i>Relations between Commodity Committees and General Committees (Food Additives)</i> of the Codex Alimentarius Procedural Manual.</p> |

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| | <p>The proposed list of food additives for possible inclusion in the standards under consideration by the next Session of the Committee has been circulated for comments through CL 2006/56-PFV. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/9.</p> |
| Item 8 | <p>Proposed Layout for Codex Standards for Processed Fruits and Vegetables (CX/PFV 08/24/10)</p> <p>The 23rd Session of the Committee reiterated its agreement on the need to have a Layout for Codex Standards for Processed Fruits and Vegetables which would help to ensure a consistent approach as regards format and terminology in Codex standards for these products. Due to time constraints, the Committee did not discuss the Layout, but agreed that it should be circulated for comments and revision by the Codex Secretariat.</p> <p>The revised proposed <i>Layout for Codex Standards for Processed Fruits and Vegetables</i> has been circulated for comments under CX/FFV 08/24/10. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/10-Add.1.</p> |
| Item 9 | <p>Proposals for Amendments to the Priority List for the Standardization of Processed Fruits and Vegetables (ALINORM 07/30/27-App.XI)</p> <p>The Committee may propose the removal and/or inclusion of new products for future work taking into account the <i>Proposals to Undertake New Work or to Revise a Standard</i> (Codex Alimentarius Procedural Manual, Part 2 Critical Review) and the work already done by other international standardization organizations in this field. The new work undertaken shall be approved by the Codex Alimentarius Commission taking into account the outcome of the Critical Review conducted by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The <i>Priority List for the Standardization of Processed Fruits and Vegetables</i> has been circulated for comments under CL 2006/56-PFV. Comments submitted are contained in working document CX/PFV 08/24/11.</p> |
| Item 10 | <p>Other Business</p> <p>In accordance with Rule VI.5 of the Rules of Procedure of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex Alimentarius Procedural Manual) “... <i>any Member of the Commission may propose the inclusion of specific items in the Agenda with respect to matters of an urgent nature...</i>”.</p> |
| Item 11 | <p>Date and Place of the Next Session</p> <p>The Committee will be advised of the tentative dates of the next Session.</p> |
| Item 12 | <p>Adoption of the Report</p> <p>The Committee shall adopt the report of its 24th Session, based on a draft provided by the Codex Secretariat.</p> |