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Agenda Item 1

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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME CODEX COMMITTEE ON CONTAMINANTS IN FOODS

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Agenda Item	Subject Matter	Doc. Reference No.
	Opening of the Session	
1	Adoption of the Agenda	CX/CF 09/3/1
2	Matters Referred to the Committee by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and/or Other Codex Committees/ Task Forces	CX/CF 09/3/2 CX/CF 09/3/2-Add.1
3	Matters of Interest Arising from FAO and WHO (including JECFA)	CX/CF 09/3/3-Rev.1
	Matters of Interest Arising from Other International Intergovernmental Organizations	CX/CF 09/3/3-Add.1
	<u>Codex General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Foods (GSCTF)</u>	
4	Draft Revision of the Preamble of the GSCTF (N04-2006) at Step 4 Comments at Step 3	CX/CF 09/3/4-Rev.1 CX/CF 09/3/4-Add.1 (NOT ISSUED)
	<u>Industrial and Environmental Contaminants</u>	
5	Draft Code of Practice for the Reduction of Acrylamide in Food (N06-2006) at Step 7 - Comments at Step 6	ALINORM 08/31/41, Appendix V, CL 2008/24-CF CX/CF 09/3/5
6	Draft Code of Practice for the Reduction of Contamination of Food with Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) from Smoking and Direct Drying Processes (N07-2006) at Step 7 - Comments at Step 6	ALINORM 08/31/41, Appendix VI, CL 2008/24-CF CX/CF 09/3/6

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Delegates are kindly requested to bring with them to the meeting all documents which have been distributed, as the number of additional copies which can be made available at the session is limited.

Mycotoxins

- 7 Proposed Draft Maximum Levels for Total Aflatoxins in Brazil Nuts (at Step 4) (N11-2008) [CX/CF 09/3/7](#)
 - Comments at Step 3 CX/CF 09/3/7-Add.1 (NOT ISSUED)
- 8 Proposed Draft Code of Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Ochratoxin A Contamination in Coffee (at Step 4) (N12-2008) [CX/CF 09/3/8](#)
 - Comments at Step 3 [CX/CF 09/3/8 Add.1](#)

Discussion Papers for issues not under elaboration procedure

- 9 (a) Discussion Paper on Fumonisin [CX/CF 09/3/9](#)
- 9 (b) Discussion Paper on Benzene in Soft Drinks [CX/CF 09/3/10](#)
- 9 (c) Discussion Paper on Cyanogenic Glycosides [CX/CF 09/3/11](#)
- 9 (d) Discussion Paper on Mycotoxins in Sorghum [CX/CF 09/3/12](#)
- 9 (e) Discussion Paper on Ethyl Carbamate in Alcoholic Beverages [CX/CF 09/3/13](#)

General Issues

- 10 Priority List of Contaminants and Naturally Occurring Toxicants Proposed for Evaluation by JECFA [CL 2008/25-CF](#)
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- 11 Other Business and Future Work
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INFORMATION DOCUMENT

The following document will be presented at the plenary.

- **Document for Information and Use in Discussions related to contaminants and toxins of the GSCTF (Doc. Ref. [CF/3 INF/1](#)):** An updated version of the document for information and use to support discussions on contaminants and toxins during the Third Session of the Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods (hereinafter referred to as “the Committee”) including Schedule 1, will be placed.

ANNOTATION TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 – Adoption of the Agenda (Doc. Ref. CX/CF 09/3/1): In accordance with VII.2 of the Rules of Procedure, the first item on the Provisional Agenda shall be the adoption of the Agenda. The Committee will be invited to adopt the Provisional Agenda as the Agenda for the Session.

Item 2 – Matters Referred to the Committee by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and/or Other Codex Committees/Task Forces (Doc. Ref. CX/CF 09/3/2): The Committee will consider matters arising from the 31st Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission and sessions of other Codex Committees / Task Forces that met since the Second Session of the Committee, April 2008.

Item 3 –Matters of Interest arising from FAO and WHO (Doc. Ref. CX/CF 09/3/3) and other international intergovernmental organizations (Doc. Ref. CX/CF 09/3/3-Add.1): The Committee will be

informed of work done and/or being done by FAO and WHO (including JECFA) and other international intergovernmental organizations with regard to issues on Contaminants and Toxins.

Codex General Standard for Contaminants and Toxins in Foods (GSCTF)

Item 4 – Proposed draft Revision of the Preamble of the GSCTF (N04-2006) (Doc. Refs. CX/CF 09/3/4 and CX/CF 09/3/4 Add.1): The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed to return the proposed draft Revision to Step 2 for redrafting by an electronic working group, led by the European Community, in light of the comments made at the Second Session of the Committee, with a view to circulation of the revised proposal for comments at Step 3 and consideration at Step 4 by the Third Session of the Committee (see ALINORM 08/31/41 para. 62).

Industrial and Environmental Contaminants

Item 5 –Draft Code of Practice for the Reduction of Acrylamide in Food (N06-2006) (Doc. Refs. ALINORM 08/31/41, Appendix V and CX/CF 09/3/5) : The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed to forward the proposed Draft Code of Practice to the 31st Session of the Commission for adoption at Step 5. The Commission adopted the proposed draft at Step 5 and circulated it at Step 6 for comments through CL 2008/24-CF. Comments are summarized in CX/CF 09/3/5.

Item 6 –Draft Code of Practice for the Reduction of Contamination of Food with Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) from Smoking and Direct Drying Processes (N07-2006) (Doc. Refs. ALINORM 08/31/41, Appendix VI and CX/CF 09/3/6) : The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed forward the proposed Draft to the 31st Session of the Commission for adoption at Step 5. The Commission adopted the proposed Draft at Step 5 and advanced it to Step 6 for comments. Comments were requested through CL 2008/24-CF. Comments are summarized in CX/CF 09/3/6.

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Item 7 – Proposed Draft Maximum Levels for Total Aflatoxins in Brazil Nuts (N11-2008) (Doc. Ref. CX/CF 09/3/7 and CX/CF 09/3/7-Add.1): The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed to start new work on draft Maximum Levels for Total Aflatoxins in Brazil Nuts, subject to approval by the 31st Session of the Commission. The 31st Session of the Commission approved the new work. The proposed draft maximum levels for total aflatoxins in Brazil Nuts were circulated for comments at Step 3. Comments are summarized in CX/CF 09/3/7-Add.1.

Item 8 – Proposed Draft Code of Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Ochratoxin A contamination in Coffee (N12-2008) (Doc. Ref. CX/CF 09/3/8 and CX/CF 09/3/8-Add.1): The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed to start new work on a proposed draft Code of Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Ochratoxin A Contamination in Coffee, subject to approval by the 31st Session of the Commission. The 31st Session of the Commission approved the new work. The proposed draft Code of Practice was circulated for comments at Step 3. Comments are summarized in CX/CF 09/3/8-Add.1.

Discussion Papers for issues not under elaboration procedure

Item 9 (a) – Discussion Paper on Fumonisin (Doc. Ref. CX/CF 09/3/9): The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed to establish an electronic Working Group, led by Brazil, to prepare a discussion paper which should include an overview of available data and scope of the problem of fumonisin contamination for consideration at the Third Session (see ALINORM 08/31/41, para. 177).

Item 9 (b) – Discussion Paper on Benzene in Soft Drinks (Doc. Ref. CX/CF 09/3/10): The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed to establish an electronic Working Group, led by Nigeria, to prepare a discussion paper on benzene in soft drinks with a view to clarifying the state of knowledge and the extent of the problem, for consideration at the Third Session (see ALINORM 08/31/41 paras 178-179).

Item 9 (c) – Discussion Paper on Cyanogenic Glycosides (Doc. Ref CX/CF 09/3/11): The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed to establish an electronic Working Group, led by Australia, to prepare a discussion paper which should include an overview of available data on cyanogenic glycoside with a view for possible re-evaluation by JECFA (see ALINORM 08/31/41/, para. 180).

Item 9 (d) – Discussion Paper on Mycotoxins in Sorghum (Doc. Ref CX/CF 09/3/12): The Committee at its Second Session, agreed to establish an electronic Working Group, led by Tunisia, to prepare a discussion paper for consideration at the Third Session (see ALINORM 08/31/41, paras 181-186).

Item 9 (e) – Discussion Paper on Ethyl Carbamate in Alcoholic Beverages (Doc Ref CX/CF 09/3/13): The Committee, at its Second Session, agreed that the Delegation of Germany would prepare a discussion paper for consideration at its Third Session with a view to determining how and to what extent this matter could be approached within the Committee (see ALINORM 08/31/41, paras 190-191).

General Issues

Item 10 – Priority List of Contaminants and Naturally Occurring Toxicants Proposed for Evaluation by JECFA (Doc. Refs. CL 2008/25-CF, ALINORM 08/31/41 Appendix XIII and CX/CF 09/3/14): The Committee, at its Second Session, endorsed the priority list of contaminants and naturally occurring toxins for JECFA evaluation (see ALINORM 08/31/41 paras 187-188 and Appendix XIII). Comments submitted by members and interested international organizations in response to CL 2008/25-CF are contained in CX/CF 09/3/14. The Second Session agreed that an in-session physical working group will meet during the Third Session and prepare a report on the Priority List of Contaminants and Naturally Occurring Toxicants Proposed for Evaluation by JECFA, as a conference room document.

Item 11 – Other Business and Future Work: The Committee will discuss issues, raised under Item 1, as other business and/or proposals for future work.

Item 12 – Date and Place of Next Session: The Committee will be advised of the tentative dates and place of the next Session.

Item 13 – Adoption of the Report: In accordance with Rule X.1 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, the Committee shall adopt a report of its Third Session based on a draft provided by the Codex Secretariat.
