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### CODEX COMMITTEE ON CONTAMINANTS IN FOODS

#### 16<sup>TH</sup> Session

18-21 April 2023 (physical plenary meeting)

26 April 2023 (virtual report adoption)

#### STATEMENT FROM AUSTRALIA ON RUSSIA'S ACTIONS IN UKRAINE

1. Australia condemns Russia's illegal and immoral invasion of Ukraine. The invasion is a gross violation of international law, including the Charter of the United Nations.
2. Australia strongly supports Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity, and calls on Russia to end its war.
3. Russia's actions are causing immense human suffering and exacerbating existing fragilities in the global economy – constraining growth, increasing inflation, disrupting supply chains, heightening energy and food insecurity, and elevating financial stability risks.
4. Australia is committed to strengthening the global rules-based order, and is a ready and able partner for all countries that seek a peaceful and prosperous world, where sovereignty is respected.