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

SUBJECT: **Request for comments on the proposed draft maximum levels for total aflatoxins in ready-to-eat peanuts (at Step 3)**

DEADLINE: **31 August 2017**

BACKGROUND

1. In view of the lack of consensus on the MLs for AFT in RTE peanuts and the need for further consideration of the JECFA83 report, the 11th Session of the Committee on Contaminants (April 2017) agreed to request comments on the levels of 10 µg/kg or 15 µg/kg for AFT in RTE peanuts. Comments should be accompanied by a rationale for the proposed draft ML and any additional/further information to support the proposed draft ML.
2. An Electronic Working Group led by India, working in English only, will consider the comments and information received in order to prepare a revised proposed for further comments and consideration by CCCF12 (March 2018).¹

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

3. Codex members and observers are invited to submit comments on the proposed draft COP, which is uploaded to the Codex Online Commenting System (OCS): <https://ocs.codexalimentarius.org/>, as per the general guidance below.

GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR 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 proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial, substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments).
7. At the end of the commenting period, the Codex Secretariat will compile comments in a relevant working document using the system.
8. Additional guidance on the OCS can be found on the Codex website: <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/ocs/en/>.
9. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.

¹ REP17/CF, paras 104-108, Appendix IV. The report is available on the Codex webpage as follows:
<http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings-reports/en/>