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## JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

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#### MODIFIED STANDARDIZED COMMON NAMES

**GOVERNMENT COMMENTS** 

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CANADA

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# CANADA:

At its 37<sup>th</sup> Session, the Committee agreed that at the 38<sup>th</sup> Session, consideration would be given to the terms of reference of an electronic working group to further develop a discussion paper taking into account the advice of relevant Codex Committees and further advice from Codex members and observers. Because of the meeting schedule of relevant Committees, further detailed discussion on this issue would be deferred until the 39<sup>th</sup> session.

Canada proposes that the establishment of an electronic working group take place at the 39<sup>th</sup> session of CCFL, when the advice of the relevant Codex Committees has been collected.

The following terms of reference could guide the work of electronic working group:

- Request comments from Codex members and observers to further inform the work of the working group;
- Review and analyze the advice from relevant Codex Committees and further advice from Codex members and observers;
- Based on this information, the electronic working group will develop a discussion paper that will:

-report on the advice provided and on level of support for the work

-consider merits of vertical and horizontal approaches

-identify the options for placement of the criteria in Codex texts

-present options for next steps for consideration at the 40<sup>th</sup> session of CCFL