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**TO:** Codex Contact Points  
Interested International Organizations

**FROM:** Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission, Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme  
FAO, 00100 Rome, Italy

**SUBJECT:** **Draft Revised Regional Code of Hygienic Practice for the Preparation and Sale of Street-Vended Foods (Latin America and the Caribbean) - REMINDER for Comments at STEP 6**

**DEADLINE:** **31 DECEMBER 2000**

**COMMENTS:** To: Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission  
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## BACKGROUND

1. The 10th Session of the Coordinating Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean discussed the opportunity of revising the Regional Code of Hygienic Practice for the Preparation and Sale of Street-Vended Foods in the light of the recommendation of the Commission to incorporate the new approach reflected in the revised General Principles of Food Hygiene, including the HACCP Guidelines.<sup>1</sup>
2. The 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the CCLAC revised the Proposed Draft Code and agreed to advance it to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission where it was adopted at Step 5.<sup>2</sup>
3. It was circulated for comments at Step 6 under CL 1999/13-GEN by the Codex Secretariat. This Circular Letter listed all the texts adopted by the last session of the Commission at Step 5. The deadline for comments on the Draft Code was 1 July 2000. No comments have been received up to date.
4. In view of the above, the Codex Secretariat wishes to draw the attention of Governments and interested international organisations to the earlier request and to remind them that this text will be considered by the 12<sup>th</sup> session of CCLAC in February 2001. In order to facilitate the discussion, it is important to receive written comments in advance, especially as it is hoped that significant progress will be made in respect of this text at this session.
5. The full text of the Draft Code is attached to the Report of the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of CCLAC (ALINORM 99/36) as Appendix II. Governments and international organizations wishing to submit comments on the above should do so in writing in conformity with the *Uniform Procedure for the Elaboration of Codex Standards and Related Texts* (at Step 6) (Codex Alimentarius Procedural Manual, 11<sup>th</sup> Edition, pages 21-23) to the Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission, preferably by e-mail **BEFORE 31 DECEMBER 2000**<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> ALINORM 97/36 para. 12

<sup>2</sup> ALINORM 99/36 para. 74 & Appendix II and  
ALINORM 99/37 para. 176 and Appendix VII-Part II

<sup>3</sup> **In view of the possibility of time constraints, late comments received will be compiled and distributed in original language only.**