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PROPOSED DRAFT STANDARD FOR DRIED OREGANO Comments at Step 3

Comments of India and Republic of Korea

India

APPENDIX I

8. LABELLING

COMMENT: To amend the statement as: “*The name of the product shall include an indication of the species, varietal types described in Table 1 and the style as described in Section 2.2. In case of blends, the label shall contain the genus names from Table 1, followed by the term ‘Spp.’*”

Rationale:

In cases of blends containing all the 14 items mentioned in section 2.2, pre-printed labels will not have the space to include all species names.

9. METHODS OF ANALYSIS AND SAMPLING

Table 4. Methods of Analysis

COMMENT: The reference to ISO 1208 ‘Spices and condiments — Determination of filth’ may also be given, along with ISO 927 in the Table.

Republic of Korea

Lippia (Mexican oregano) included in the Section 2.1 Definition (Table 1) has completely different physicochemical properties from Oregano and belongs to different classification system. It is considered appropriate to not include Lippia in the definition of Oregano for the purpose of the preparation of Group Standard and the right of consumers to know.

Therefore, Republic of Korea supports to exclude Lippia in the scope of the Oregano standard.