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## JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

### CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION

#### Forty-fourth Session

#### WORK FROM THE CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD LABELLING (CCFL) FOR ADOPTION OR APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION

#### Standards and related texts submitted for final adoption

Draft General standard for the labelling of non-retail containers of foods; and consequential amendment to the Procedural Manual

#### *Comments of Ghana*

#### Ghana

Issues:

1.0 The Committee is invited to consider the proposed amendments to the draft guidance in Annex I of CX/FL 21/46/5 Add.1 with the intent to progress it to Step 8 for final adoption by CAC44.

Position: Ghana supports the request to advance the revised draft guidance to step 8 for final adoption by CAC44.

2.0 To decide whether the final document should be adopted as a Standard or a Guideline keeping in view the clarification provided by the Codex Secretariat at CCFL45.

Position: Ghana support the adoption of the final document as a Standard.

Rationale: The clarification from the Codex Secretariat indicates that naming will have no consequential effect on significance and application. Also, the document as presented is structured as a standard. This will keep it aligned with the General Standard for Labelling of Prepackaged Foods (GSLPF) with which it has many commonalities.

3.0 To consider the proposed draft amendment to the Procedural Manual for adoption by CAC44

Position: Ghana supports the proposed draft amendment to the Procedural Manual for adoption by CAC44.

Rationale: The proposed text provides clear guidance for the labelling section of relevant commodity standards that apply to non-retail containers.

#### Proposals to elaborate new standards and related texts

Proposal for new work on labelling information provided through technology

#### *Comments of Ghana*

#### Ghana

Position: Ghana supports the proposal for new work on labelling information provided through technology

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Rationale: The use of technology in food labelling is a valuable tool which is being rapidly deployed globally. The new work will provide a framework to provide the comprehensive information needed by consumers to make informed decisions on their choices of foods.