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**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION AND
OTHER CODEX COMMITTEES**

This document contains comments and information in response to CL 2008/15-ASIA, Part C (i) and (ii), submitted after the circulation of Document CX/ASIA 08/16/2 (*see* paras 9-10 and 13-14).

IMPLEMENTATION OF CODEX STRATEGIC PLAN 2008-2013
(CL 2008/15-ASIA, Part C (i) and (ii))

- (i) **Mechanisms and evaluation criteria at country level to improve horizontal coordination and communication among national delegates to various food-standards-related international organizations (see Activity 4.5 of the Strategic Plan)**

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

In the DPRK, the Committee for Standardization takes over all the affairs to improve horizontal coordination and communication among national delegates to various food standards-related international organizations at country level.

Japan

Information on the various standards-related international organizations is shared among all the relevant Ministries and Agencies, and the activities regarding these organizations are coordinated by the Ministry/Agency who serves as a contact point for each organization.

Pakistan

A "Strategic Action Plan" has been prepared to improve co-ordination among various stakeholders to manage food safety, animal plant health issues. The MINFAL has established a "National Animal & Plant Health Inspection Services (NAPHIS) to adopt a systematic approach in food safety and comprehensive review of laws related to food, plant and animal health. NAPHIS aims to put in place coherent SPS management system in relation to its trade with other countries, and ensure efficient use of resources, cooperation amongst various departments & strengthen human resources assets. Intertwining between international agencies engaged in food safety & SPS measures have been initiated.

- (ii) **Establishment of sound structures and processes for consultation on Codex matters to ensure effective involvement and participation of all interested parties, with a view to in particular enhancing the participation of non-governmental organizations in Codex work at national, regional and international levels (see Activity 5.5 of the Strategic Plan).**

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

All organizations and interested parties for Codex works in the DPRK are conducting the above works under the unified instruction and support and assistance of the government according to socialist system at national level.

Japan

MHLW and MAFF organize the National Consultative Committee on Codex activities, which consist of 14 representatives of academia, industry and consumer.

Pakistan

Comprehensive consultation on Codex matters is being done through the NCC & 8 subject Sub-Committees. The Sub-Committees have participation of growers, exporters, traders and technical bodies to help informed positioning on Codex related issues and implementation of Codex standards.