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CODEX COMMITTEE ON METHODS OF ANALYSIS AND SAMPLING

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MATTERS REFERRED BY THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION AND OTHER SUBSIDIARY BODIES

A. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 40th SESSION OF THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION

MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

Amendments to the Procedural Manual¹

1. The Commission **adopted** the amendments to the Principles for the establishment of Codex methods of analysis.

Standards and Related Texts Adopted²

2. The Commission **adopted** the methods of analysis and sampling in Codex standards.

Standards and Related Texts Revoked³

3. The Commission **revoked** the methods of analysis and sampling in Codex standards.

B. MATTERS ARISING FROM OTHER CODEX SUBSIDIARY BODIES

MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

CODEX COMMITTEE ON NUTRITION AND FOODS FOR SPECIAL DIETARY USES (CCNFSDU39)

Method for Chromium, molybdenum and selenium: Infant formula⁴

4. CCNFSDU39 noted the request of the Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS) concerning the possible retyping of the method for chromium, molybdenum and selenium provided validation data is submitted; and encouraged members to submit such validation data to CCMAS.

JEMNU request for the establishment of nitrogen to protein conversion factors for soy and milk proteins⁵

5. CCNFSDU39 considered the proposal for scientific advice from JEMNU, noting its previous discussion at CCNFSDU37 on the appropriateness of 5.71 as the nitrogen to protein conversion factor for soy protein and the recommendation of CCMAS that FAO and WHO could convene an expert panel to assess the scientific basis for nitrogen to protein conversion factors.

6. CCNFSDU39 agreed to the following request to JEMNU:

- When determining the protein content of soy-based ingredients used in infant formula and follow-up formula, what is the appropriate science-based nitrogen to protein conversion factor to use when comparing protein content derived from nitrogen based methods to amino acid based methods?
- When determining the protein content of milk-based ingredients used in infant formula and follow-up formula, what is the appropriate science-based nitrogen to protein conversion factor to use when comparing protein content derived from nitrogen based methods to amino acid based methods?

¹ REP17/CAC, paras 11, 13 and Appendix II

² REP17/CAC, para15 and Appendix III

³ REP17/CAC, para 82 and Appendix V

⁴ REP18/NFSDU, para 6

⁵ REP18/NFSDU, paras 31-33

7. The Committee **is invited to note** the above-mentioned matters.

MATTERS FOR ACTION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION (CCEXEC73) ⁶

8. CCEXEC73 recommended that CCMAS continue to assign highest priority to the revision and continuous updating of the *General Standard for Methods of Analysis and Sampling* (CXS 234-1999) so as to ensure that it remained a reliable single source of methods of analysis and sampling for Codex.

9. The Committee **is invited to consider** this recommendation from the CCEXEC73.

⁶ REP17/EXEC2, para 67