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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

COMMENTS SUBMITTED BY AFRICAN UNION

Background

The Provisional Agenda was drafted by the Codex Secretariat and the Chair based on the outcomes of the 18th Session of CCFFV (2014) and the 37th and 38th Sessions of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) (2014, 2015), and Codex procedures.

Issue & Rationale

AU seeks to amend the agenda by switching the position of Agenda Item 7 on Proposals for New Work on Codex Standards for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables with Agenda item 8 Proposed Layout on Codex Standards for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables to enable the meeting have a full discussion on the draft text on the Proposed Layout on Codex Standards for Fresh Fruits and Vegetables at this session as this Agenda item has not been allocated enough time in the previous meeting (s).

AU Position

AU supports adoption of the amended Provisional Agenda as proposed above.

General Comment

AU is pleased with the increasing number of fresh fruits and vegetables standards that are being developed by the CCFFV, the increasing number of countries that participate in their development at e-Working Group level and appreciates the leadership role taken by a number of countries/Governments in the development of these standards as well as the resources (financial and human) invested in the development of the standards.