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Agenda Item 1

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NOTES ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Opening of the Session: The Session will be opened with a presentation by the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco.

AGENDA ITEM 1 - Adoption of the Agenda (CX/AFRICA 07/17/1). In accordance with Rule VII.2 of the Rules of Procedure, the first item on the Provisional Agenda shall be Adoption of the Agenda. The Committee will be invited to adopt the Provisional Agenda as its Agenda for the Session.

AGENDA ITEM 2 - Matters Arising from the Codex Alimentarius Commission and Other Codex Committees (CX/AFRICA 07/17/2). This item includes matters related to the Region arising from recent sessions of the Commission and other Codex Committees and Task Forces.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Report on Activities of FAO and WHO Complementary to the Work of the Codex Alimentarius Commission Including Capacity Building (CX/AFRICA 07/17/3). The Representatives of FAO and WHO will provide a report on the activities of FAO and WHO complementary to the work of the Codex Alimentarius Commission, including capacity building programmes for developing countries of the Region.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – Draft Strategic Plan for the Coordination of CCAFRICA (CX/AFRICA 07/17/4). The 16th Session of CCAFRICA agreed to append the Draft Strategic Plan to the Report (ALINORM 05/28/28, Appendix II) and to seek by means of a Circular Letter (CL 2005/4-AFRICA) additional comments and proposals from Member Governments and to further exchange views through physical meetings held in the margins of the 28th Session of the Commission and/or the African Regional Conference on Food Safety. A revised draft Strategic Plan (CX/AFRICA 07/17/4) was prepared and circulated for further comments. Comments are summarized in working document CX/AFRICA 07/17/4-Add.1.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Information on National Food Control Systems and Consumer Participation in Food Standards Setting (CX/AFRICA 07/17/5). The 57th Session of the Executive Committee agreed to combine all issues related to food legislation, food control, national Codex structures and consumer participation, which had been discussed under two different agenda items, into one single item in order to facilitate reporting by member countries and to rationalize discussion in the Coordinating Committees, taking into account possible duplication and confusion in the consideration of these items (ALINORM 06/29/3, para 103). Information submitted in response to CL 2006/30-AFRICA, Part A, is contained in CX/AFRICA 07/17/5.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – Information on Use of Codex Standards and Related Texts at National and Regional Levels (CX/AFRICA 07/17/6). This agenda item is based on the decision of the 57th Session of the Executive Committee (ALINORM 06/29/3, paras 104 – 105) to add a new agenda item for Regional Coordinating Committees with a view to providing an opportunity for member countries to exchange views on the use of Codex standards at the national and regional levels. Information submitted in response to Circular Letter CL 2007/30 AFRICA, Part B is contained in CX/AFRICA 07/17/6.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – Nomination of Coordinator (CX/AFRICA 07/17/7). In accordance with Rule IV.2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Codex Alimentarius Commission the Committee is invited to nominate a Coordinator for Africa for appointment by the 30th Session of the Commission.

AGENDA ITEM 8 - Other Business and Future Work. In accordance with Rule VII.5 of the Rules of Procedure, any Member of the Commission may propose the inclusion of specific items of an urgent matter. The Committee may propose items for future work taking into account the *Proposals to Undertake New Work or to Revise a Standard* (Codex Alimentarius Procedural Manual, Part 2 Critical Review). The new work undertaken shall be approved by the Codex Alimentarius Commission taking into account the outcome of the Critical Review conducted by the Executive Committee. However, it is strongly recommended to submit the item, if any, in written form well in advance of the Session.

AGENDA ITEM 9 - Date and Place of the Next Session. The Committee will be advised of the tentative dates and venue of the next Session of the Committee, subject to approval by the 30th Session of the Commission.

AGENDA ITEM 10 - Adoption of the Report. In accordance with Rule X.1 of the Rules of Procedure, the Committee shall adopt the report of its 17th Session, based on a draft provided by the Secretariat.