# codex alimentarius commission





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Agenda Item 10

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### JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

### CODEX COMMITTEE ON CONTAMINANTS IN FOODS

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## PRIORITY LIST ON CONTAMINANTS AND NATURALLY OCCURING TOXICANTS PROPOSED FOR EVALUATION BY JECFA

Comments (in response to CL 2009/34-CF) submitted by Australia and United Kingdom

### **AUSTRALIA**

### **General Comments:**

Following endorsement of the 'priority list of contaminants and naturally occurring toxicants for evaluation by the JECFA' by the Third Session of the Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods (CCCF), Australia would like to inform the Committee of its support for this priority list of contaminants.

Australia does not have any nominations for new substances to be added to the priority list.

In addition, Australia would like to inform the Committee that data will be available in late 2010, in relation to the levels of Cadmium in our food supply. This data will cover the occurrence of Cadmium in our food, and dietary exposure levels.

### UNITED KINGDOM

The UK has no comments to make at present on the priority list. We would just like to remind you that the UK Committee on Toxicity (COT) of chemicals in food, consumer products and the environment published a statement in 2006, on cyanogenic glycosides in bitter apricot kernels which can be found at: <a href="http://cot.food.gov.uk/pdfs/cotstatementapricot200615.pdf">http://cot.food.gov.uk/pdfs/cotstatementapricot200615.pdf</a>