EUROPEAN UNION COMMENTS

9TH CODEX COMMITTEE ON MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS

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Agenda Item 2

Review of the inconsistencies in the names of food additives in standards for milk and milk products with INS nomenclature

(Codex document CX/MMP 10/9/2 Add.1)

The European Union (EU) would like to make the following comments in relation to document CX/MMP 10/9/2 Add.1.

With regard to Part 3:

- **Point 6:**
  The EU is of the view that INS 141 should refer to both 141 (i) (Chlorophylls, copper complexes) and 141 (ii) (Chlorophyllins, copper complexes, sodium and potassium) as in the GSFA. In addition, the list of Codex specifications for food additives (CAC/MISC 6-2009) does not refer to INS 141 but to INS 141(i) and INS 141 (ii).

- **Point 7 (first indent):**
  The EU supports the proposal to replace “disodium tartrate” by “Sodium L(+)-tartrate” (as mentioned in the CAC/GL 36-1989)

- **Point 7 (second indent):**
  With regard to “zeaxanthin”, it can only refer to INS 161h(i), bearing in mind that only the synthetic form (INS 161h (i)) has been evaluated by JECFA and is listed in the list of Codex specifications for food additives (CAC/MISC 6-2009) and is included in the GSFA.

- **Point 8:**
  The EU suggests replacing alpha-tocopherol (INS 307) by d-alpha-tocopherol (INS 307a) and dl-alpha-tocopherol (INS 307c)

- **Point 9:**
  With regard to propionates, both potassium propionate (INS 283) and calcium propionate (INS 282) should be authorised (as this is already the case in the cat 01.6.2. (Ripened cheese) of the GSFA) if the technological justification for both salts can be confirmed by the Committee.
With regard to the Annex:

General remark
- INS 341 (ii) : the term “Dicalcium” should be read “DiCalcium”
- INS 160a(iii) : the word “triaspora” should be read “triaspora”
- INS 260 : it should be read Acetic acid (glacial)
- INS 466 : it should be read Sodium carboxymethyl cellulose (cellulose gum)
- INS 342(i) : it should be read Ammonium dihydrogen phosphate
- INS 553(i) should be read Magnesium silicate (Synthetic)
- INS 160b(ii) : it should be read Annatto extracts, norbixin-based
- INS 300 : it should be read Ascorbic acid (L)-

Specific remarks:

-P3
- INS 471: it should be read “Mono- and di- glycerides of fatty acids
  1. P4
- INS 1405 : it should be read starch instead of “starches”
- INS 100 : a foot note should be added for the mention “for edible rind”
- INS 140 : it should be read chlorophylls
- INS 160a(ii) : it should be read Carotenes, beta-(vegetable)

-P5
- INS 335(ii) : it should be read Sodium L(+)-tartrate

-P6
- INS 161h(i) : it should be read Zeaxanthin (synthetic)
- INS 435 : it should be read Polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monostearate
- INS 436 : it should be read Polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan tristearate
- INS 623 : it should be read Calcium di-L-glutamate
- INS 624 : it should be read Monoammonium L-glutamate
- INS 625 : it should be read Magnesium di-L-glutamate
- INS 627 : it should be read Disodium 5’-guanylate
- INS 628 : it should be read Dipotassium 5’-guanylate
- INS 629 : it should be read Calcium 5’-guanylate
- INS 631 : it should be read Disodium 5’-inosinate
- INS 632 : shouldn’t it be read Potassium 5’-inosinate
- INS 634 : it should be read Calcium 5’-ribonucleotides
- INS 635: it should be read Disodium 5’-ribonucleotides

-P7
- INS 343(i) : it should be read Monomagnesium phosphate
- INS 407a : the acronym “(PES)” could be added.

-P 10
- INS 300 : it should be read Ascorbic acid (L)-
- INS 320, 321 and 319 : the acronyms are not mentioned in the CAC/GL 36-1989

-P 11
- INS 473a : the words “type I and tyle II” should be added

-P 12
- INS 329: it should be read Magnesium lactate (DL)-
• INS 101(i) and INS 101(ii) should be assigned their specific names and not the generic name “riboflavins”

• INS 307b: it should be read Tocopherol concentrate, mixed

• INS 100, INS 120, INS 140, INS 239: The column relates to the “name” of the food additive and not to the type of food where the colour is authorised. For clarity, the restrictions of use (edible cheese rind, red marbled cheeses only etc) should be deleted from the column and specified as foot notes outside of the column.

• INS 270: it should be read Lactic acid (L-, D-, and DL-)