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TO: Codex Contact Points
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FROM: Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission

SUBJECT: **Request for comments and information on: National food control systems, Consumer participation in food standard setting; the use of Codex standards at national and regional level, Nutritional issues in the region; and issues related to participation in Codex meetings and FAO/WHO expert meetings,**

DEADLINE: 15 September 2008

COMMENTS:

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In preparation of the 16th FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean (CCLAC), information is requested on national food legislation, food control, Codex structures and consumer participation (Part A of the attached questionnaire), the use of Codex standards and related texts at the national and regional levels (Part B of the attached questionnaire), implementation of the Codex Strategic Plan 2008-2013 (Part C of the attached questionnaire), and nutritional issues within the region (Part D of the attached questionnaire). The information submitted will be compiled in working documents to be considered by the 16th CCLAC. Information is also requested on participation of countries of the region in Codex meetings and FAO/WHO experts meetings (Part E of the attached questionnaire). This information will be forwarded to FAO/WHO for further analysis including for the impact analysis of the Codex Trust Fund.

Codex Members and Observers are invited to submit the relevant information by using the questionnaire, attached to this Circular Letter and to provide this information as directed above.