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TO: Codex Contact Points
Interested International Organizations

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: **30 November 2008**

COMMENTS: **To:** Secretary
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In preparation of the 18th FAO/WHO (Codex) Coordinating Committee for Africa (CCAFRICA), 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 18th CCAFRICA. Information is also requested on participation of countries in the region in Codex meetings and FAO/WHO expert 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.

Governments and international organizations in observer status with Codex are invited to submit the relevant information by using the questionnaire, attached to this Circular Letter and to provide this information, as directed above, *preferably by e-mail*, not later than **30 November 2008**.