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Discussion paper on the inclusion of Free Fatty Acids as quality characteristics criteria for refined rice bran oil in the Standard for Named Vegetable Oil (CXS 210-1999)

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Mixed Competence Member States Vote

The European Union and its Member States (EUMS) would like to thank Thailand for preparing a proposal for new work to include free fatty acids (FFA) as quality criteria for refined rice bran oil.

The EUMS support the new work proposal as presented in the draft project document. However, the EUMS note that the project document suggests a maximum level of 0.3 % (as oleic acid) for FFA in refined rice bran oil. The value for the maximum level should not be fixed in the project document but be defined in the course of the new work. Therefore, the EUMS suggest taking out the value from the project document. The same applies for the proposed method of analysis.