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**Discussion paper on feasibility to develop a Code of practice for the
prevention and reduction of mycotoxin contamination in spices**

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*Mixed Competence
Member States Vote*

The European Union and its Member States (EUMS) welcome and appreciate the work on the discussion paper prepared by the electronic working group led by Spain and co-chaired by The Netherlands.

The EUMS agree with the conclusions and recommendations of the EWG to the CCCF. In particular the EUMS are in favour to start the work within CCCF on the development of a Code of Practice for the prevention of mycotoxin contamination in spices, thereby focusing on aflatoxins and ochratoxin A, with the general structure as proposed by the EWG.