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**Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification
Systems (25th Session)**

European Union comments on

Codex Circular Letter CL 2020/01-FICS

**Request for Comments, at Step 3, on the Proposed Draft Guidance on
Paperless use of electronic certificates – (Revision of the Guidelines for
Design, Production, Issuance and Use of Generic Official Certificates –
CXG 38-2001)**

(CX/FICS 20/25/5)

***Mixed Competence
European Union Vote***

The European Union and its Member States (EUMS) would like to thank the Netherlands and Australia for leading the electronic working group developing the proposed draft guidance on electronic certification.

The EUMS support the proposed draft guidelines as presented in Appendix 1 of CX/FICS 20/25/5 without further comments. They provide useful guidance for competent authorities when implementing a transition to paperless exchange of official certificates.