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Agenda item 4b – Name of the product

Review of the Standard for Follow-Up Formula (CODEX STAN 156-1987)

European Union Competence European Union Vote

CCFL46 (para 31. ii of the REP21/FL) agreed to request CCNFSDU to consider whether exclusion of the term "product" in the name "drink for young children" was an omission.

The EU considers that in 9.1.2 of Section B, the exclusion of the term "product" in the name "drink for young children" was not an omission, but that it was agreed in CCNFSDU41.

The EU notes that the text provided should lead to more clarity and considers that if the discussions about names is re-opened, it should also be clarified that the purpose of inclusion of different options for the name of the product is to provide a choice to Countries and regions to opt for the name that they consider the most appropriate. The EU therefore suggests the following changes on both options circulated by the Codex Secretariat (Slide Item 4b):

Option 1:

9.1.2 The name of the product as defined in section 2.1 shall be "Drink for young children with added nutrients", "Product for young children with added nutrients" or "Drink for young children", or any appropriate designation indicating the true nature of the product, in accordance with national or regional usage. Countries and regions can allow only one of those names to be used on their territory.

Option 2:

9.1.2 The name of the product as defined in section 2.1 shall be "Drink for young children with added nutrients", "Product for young children with added nutrients", "Drink for young children" or "Product for young children", or any appropriate designation indicating the true nature of the product, in accordance with national or regional usage. Countries and regions can allow only one of those names to be used on their territory.

The EU can agree with option 1 and option 2 on the condition that the additional proposed clarification is included.