European Union comments on

Codex Circular Letter CL 2014/11-CF

<u>PART I:</u> MATTERS FOR ADOPTION BY THE 37TH SESSION OF THE CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION

Proposed draft standards and related texts at Step 8 and 5/8 of the Procedure

European Union Competence
European Union Vote

Proposed draft maximum levels for lead in infant formula and formula for special medical purposes intended for infants and follow up formula (as consumed) (para 33, Appendix II)

The CCCF agreed to an ML for lead of 0.01 mg/kg in infant formula "as consumed".

The EU would like to reiterate its concerns already expressed at the CCCF Session. Taking into account the conversion/dilution factors, a level of 0.01 mg/kg in infant formula <u>as consumed</u> would imply that levels up to 0.08 mg/kg in powdered formula <u>as sold</u> would be tolerated.

Current occurrence data demonstrates that lower levels for powdered formula <u>as sold</u> are already achieved (0.05 mg/kg), which would allow for lower levels of lead in the product <u>as</u> consumed.

Therefore the EU would like to reiterate its reservation on the proposed ML for lead of 0.01 mg/kg in infant formula "as consumed".

The EU requests that this reservation is included in the report of the CAC 37.