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<u>Discussion Paper on the Replacement of Acid Value with Free Fatty Acids For Virgin Palm Oils in the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX STAN 210-1999)</u>

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Mixed Competence Member State Vote

The European Union and its Member States (EUMS) would like to thank Malaysia for revising the discussion paper.

The EUMS support the new work on the revision of the acidity parameters for palm oils. However, the EUMS note that values are suggested for maximum levels for the proposed new acidity parameters in section 3 of the project document (Appendix I to document CX/FO 17/25/12). The EUMS are of the view that it is premature to set these values at this stage. Instead, they should be considered and decided in the course of the new work. Section 3 of the project document should therefore be modified accordingly.