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European Union comments on
Codex Circular Letter CL 2021/76 CF:

Request for comments on a maximum level for cadmium in chocolates
containing or declaring <30% total cocoa solids on a dry matter basis
(At Step 8)

European Union Competence
European Union Vote

The European Union (EU) would like to reiterate its reservation to the adoption of the proposed draft ML of 0.3 mg/kg for cadmium in chocolate containing or declaring <30% total cocoa solids on a dry matter basis. The EU cannot support the proposed ML, as the EU argues for a stricter ML of 0.10 mg/kg to ensure a sufficient protection of all consumers, in particular children.

Request for comments on the maximum level for cadmium in chocolates
containing or declaring ≥30% to <50% total cocoa solids on a dry matter
basis (At Step 5/8).

European Union Competence
European Union Vote

The European Union (EU) would like to reiterate its reservation to the adoption of the proposed draft ML 0.7 mg/kg for chocolate and chocolate products containing or declaring ≥30% to <50% total cocoa solids on a dry matter basis. The EU is of the opinion that a stricter ML of 0.30 mg/kg is needed to ensure a sufficient protection of all consumers, in particular children.