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**REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AT STEP 3 ON THE REVISION OF THE  
CLASSIFICATION OF FOOD AND FEED (CXA 4-1989).  
CLASS D – PROCESSED FOODS OF PLANT ORIGIN**

*European Union Competence*

*European Union Vote*

The European Union (EU) would like to thank the Electronic Working Group (eWG) on the Revision of the Classification of Food and Feed chaired by the United States of America and co-chaired by the Netherlands for the preparation of the draft on the revision of the Codex Classification of Foods and Animal Feeds (CX/PR 20/52/7).

On the revision of the classification of food and feed, in particular of the commodities of Class D “processed food of plant origin” the EU proposes some modifications.

As regards the **Group 055 Letter Code DF** (type 12, secondary food commodities of plant origin), the EU notes some imbalance within the Group concerning the use of group codes.

On the one hand, we have dried fruits covered by a subgroup (DF 0013, DF 0001). For example, code DF 0013 covers all commodities in a dry form that are defined as a fresh commodity under subgroup 003A. Single commodities mentioned in Group 055 are not coded (being possible on the basis of subgroup 003A) but they all have a reference back to code DF 0013.

On the other hand, there are still single commodities mentioned like “DF 0226 Apple dried” without a group code for all commodities, e.g. “DF 0009 Group of Pome fruits, dried”. Beneath pome fruits, the EU also wants to mention stone fruits except the subgroup of cherries.

Moreover, the EU would like to suggest some modifications in the following entries:

DF 0013

Please, delete the entry “DF 0013 Subgroup of Cherries, dried”. It is covered by the revised entry with the same code “DF 0013 Cherries, subgroup of, dried (see subgroup 003A (Code FS 0013) for species included in the subgroup of cherries)”.

Cherry, Sour, dried and Cherry, Sweet, dried,

Please, change the reference from “see DF 0013 Cherries, dried” to “see DF 0013 Cherries, subgroup of, dried (see subgroup 003A (Code FS 0013) for species included in the subgroup of cherries)”.

Lemon, dried; Lime, dried; Mandarin, dried; Orange, dried; Pomelo, dried

Please, change the reference from “see Citrus, dried, DF 0001” to “see Citrus, subgroup of, dried (see Group 001 (Code FC 0001) for species included in the Group of Citrus Fruit)”

As regards the **Group 056 Letter Code DV** (type 12, secondary food commodities of plant origin), the EU would like to suggest some modifications in the following entry:

DV 2084 Fungi, dried

Please, change the name “DV 2084 Fungi, dried” to “DV 2084 Group of Edible fungi, dried” to align it with code VF 2084.

In addition, please, add the following code “DV 0449 Fungi, Edible, except Mushrooms, dried” to align the content with VF 0449 since dried mushrooms are added separately as code DV 0450.

As regards the **Group 067 Letter Code OC and Group 068 Letter code OR** (type 13, derived edible products of plant origin), the EU notes that the names of the groups “Vegetable oils, crude” and “Vegetable oils, edible (or refined)” should be revised as the majority of the commodities mentioned do not belong to Class A Type 02 Vegetables. The EU would like to propose “Oils and fats from plant origin, crude” and “Oils and fats from plant origin, edible (or refined)” for Group 067 and 068 respectively.

Moreover, the EU would like to suggest some modifications in the following entries:

Group 065 Cereal grain milling fractions and Group 069 Miscellaneous derived edible products of plant origin

Due to the fact that some codes concerning letter code CF were added later on, codes with numbers 3517 – 3519 occur twice, first with letter codes CF and second with letter code DM. In line with the overall coding system where numbers are used for different commodities from the same plant (differentiation by letter code), please, amend the entries DM 3517 – DM 3519 to DM 3523 – DM 3525, while leaving codes CF 3517 – CF 3519 as currently proposed.

Group 067 Vegetable oils, crude

Please, amend the entry “Corn oil, crude, see Maize oil, crude” to “Corn oil, crude, see Maize oil, crude OC 0645”.

Group 068 Vegetable oils, edible (or refined)

Please, amend the code “OR 3502” for “Tea seed oil, edible” as this number is also used for “AL 3502 horse bean, forage”. It was agreed that one number always defined one commodity.

Group 069 Miscellaneous derived edible products of plant origin

Please, reclassify the commodity “DM 1215” Cocoa butter from Group 069 to Group 068 and amend the code “OR 1215” Cocoa butter. The terms cocoa and cacao are used in the document. Although the use of both terms is possible, an alignment would be preferred.