

## **CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION**

**42<sup>nd</sup> Session – 8 – 12 July 2019**

**European Union comments on**

**Codex Circular Letter CL 2019/46 CF :**

**Request for comments on a proposed draft maximum level for cadmium for chocolates containing or declaring <30% 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 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 sufficient protection of all consumers, in particular children.