

Report of the 41st Session of the Codex Committee on Food Additives

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The Codex Committee on Food Additives held its 41st Session in Shanghai, Peoples Republic of China from 16 March to 20 March, 2009. The Session was attended by 220 delegates representing 56 Member Countries and 25 Member organization and international organizations. The summary and conclusions of the Session are as follows;

The Committee;

- agreed to advance to Step 8 and Step 5/8, respectively, the draft and proposed draft food additive provisions of the General Standards for Food Additives (GSFA).
- agreed to advance to Step 5/8 the proposed draft amendments to the International Numbering System for Food Additives.
- agreed to advance to Step 5/8 the Specifications for the Identity and Purity of Food Additives arising from the 69th JECFA meeting.
- agreed to propose to revoke the food additives provisions of the GSFA.
- agreed to propose to approve the Priority List of Food Additives, proposed for Evaluation by JECFA.
- agreed to discontinue work on a number of draft and proposed draft food additives provisions of the GSFA.
- agreed to return the proposed draft Guidelines and Principles for Substances used as Processing Aids to Step 2.
- agreed to include a number of new food additives at Step 3 and 4 in the GSFA.