

**Food standards established**

NEW YORK, N.Y. - U.S. Department of Agriculture representatives who attended the recent annual meeting of the Codex Alimentarius Committee on Processed Fruits and Vegetables in Washington, D.C. reported on the committee's progress in developing international food standards.

The committee is one of several operating under the Codex Alimentarius Commission, an international body established by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations and the World Health Organization (WHO) to develop food standards that would insure wholesome, acceptable food for consumers and facilitate international trade by harmonizing the legal requirements of the participating countries.

Food standards must be advanced through eight formal steps of development before the Codex Commission submits them at step 9 to more than 100 member governments for acceptance. At the May 9-13 meetings at the State Department, representatives from 22 countries and two international organizations reviewed the standard for tropical fruit salad and submitted it to the Commission at step 8. Three standards covering pickled cucumbers, canned carrots, and ried apricots were advanced in step 5, which means they will be reconsidered by the committee after another review by participating governments. Standards for dates, pistachio nuts, and canned apricots were also considered by the committee.

In previous meetings, the committee has advanced standards for 22 major processed fruits and vegetables. These standards have been sent to member governments for acceptance. Codex standards will eventually be developed for most principal processed foods that have a significant volume of international trade.

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