

Report of the 30th Session of the Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses

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The 30th Session of the Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU) was held in Cape Town, South Africa from 3 to 7 November 2008. The Committee was attended by 240 delegates, observers, and advisors representing 52 member countries, one member organization (EC) and 27 international organizations (NGOs). The Session reached the following conclusions:

The Committee agreed to forward to the Commission for final adoption at Step 8:

- Draft Table of Conditions for Nutrient Content (Part B Containing Provisions for Dietary Fiber)
- Draft Advisory List of Nutrient Compounds for Use in Foods for Special Dietary Uses Intended for Infants and Young Children: Section D: Advisory List of Food Additives for Special Nutrient Forms: Provisions on Gum Arabic
- Draft Nutritional Risk Analysis Principles and Guidelines for Application to the Work of the CCNFSDU

The Committee agreed to forward to the Commission for adoption at Step 5/8 with the recommendation to omit Steps 6 and 7:

- Proposed Draft Annex on Recommendation on the Scientific Substantiation of Health Claims to the Codex Guidelines for Use of Nutrition and Health Claims

The Committee agreed to convene a Physical Working Group on WHO Global Strategy prior to the next Session of the Committee.