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**COMMITTEE ON TRADE** 

Working Party on Agricultural Quality Standards Specialized Section on Standardization of Meat Nineteenth session Geneva, 19-23 April 2010

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#### ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE NINETEENTH SESSION<sup>1</sup>

To be held at the Palais des Nations, Geneva from 21 to 22 October 2010

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#### II. ANNOTATIONS

#### 1. Adoption of the Agenda

The delegations will adopt the agenda.

Request by the Chair to discuss agenda item 9 "Future Work" (proposals and priorities for its future work) during the first day of the meeting.

<u>Documentation:</u> Annotated provisional agenda (ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/GE.11/2010/1)

## 2. Matters of interest since the last session

## (a) UNECE and subsidiary bodies

The Chairperson and the secretariat will inform the participants about the outcome of the sixty-fifth session of the Working Party and of any decisions that might have an impact on the work of the Section.

<u>Documentation:</u> Report of the Committee on Trade (ECE/TRADE/C/2009/12) Report of the Working Party (ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/2009/24)

#### (b) Other organizations

Delegations will be informed about the activities of other organizations relating to agricultural quality standards.

## 3. Status of publications on adopted standards

The secretariat will report on the status of the publications on the standards for turkey, caprine, co-products and duck meat.

## 4. Information on the meetings of the section in 2009

Documentation: Report of the rapporteurs (ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/GE.11/2010/2)

The Chairperson will inform the Specialized Section about the outcome of various international and rapporteurs' meetings of the Section held in 2009.

#### 5. Review of UNECE recommendations

The Specialized Section will review the following recommendations, which were adopted by the Working Party at its 2009 session, for trial use until November 2010.

Note by the secretariat: no further comments have been received since the last meeting and both revised standards will be presented to the Working Party in November 2010 for adoption.

#### (a) Edible hen eggs-in-shell

Documentation: UNECE Standard for edible hen eggs-in-shell

(ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/2009/14)

## (b) Hen egg products for use in the food industry

Documentation: UNECE Standard for hen egg products for use in the food industry

(ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/2009/15)

Delegations will consider the texts of the recommendations for eggs and egg products and will decide whether the texts should be submitted to the Working Party for approval as new UNECE standards.

#### 6. Proposals for new UNECE standards

Delegations will review the draft texts of the following standards and will decide on their submission to the Working Party for adoption as recommendations for trial use until the end of 2010.

#### (a) Horse meat – carcases and cuts

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Documentation: Draft new UNECE standard for horse meat – carcases and cuts

(ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/GE.11/2010/3) (incl. comments received since April

2010)

The delegation of the Russian Federation will present a draft text of the new standard for horse meat – carcases and cuts.

## (b) Goose meat – carcases and parts

<u>Documentation:</u> Draft new UNECE standard for goose meat – carcases and parts

(ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/GE.11/2010/4) (incl. comments received since April

2010)

The delegation of China will present a draft text of the new standard for goose meat – carcases and parts.

## (c) Veal meat – carcases and cuts

Documentation: Draft new UNECE standard for veal meat – carcases and cuts

(ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/GE.11/2010/5)

Delegations will consider a revised proposal for a new standard for veal meat – carcases and cuts, which was discussed at the 2009 session of the Section.

#### (d) Retail meat cuts

Documentation: Draft new UNECE standard for retail meat cuts

(ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/GE.11/2010/6)

(ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/GE.11/2010/7) (incl. comments received since April

2010)

Comments by the delegation of Australia (ECE/TRADE/C/WP.7/GE.11/2010/INF.1)

The delegation of the United States of America will present a draft text of a new UNECE standard for retail meat cuts, first part – beef cuts

#### 7. Coding system for UNECE standards for meat

Documentation: Coding system for UNECE standards for meat

Participants will discuss how to use the UNECE standards for meat to support product classification in the United Nations Standard Products and Services Code® (UNSPSC®), the GS1 Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN), and the Global Product Classification (GPC) system.

#### 8. Other business

Other questions of interest may be discussed under this agenda item.

## 9. Future work

The Specialized Section will discuss proposals and priorities for its future work.

## 10. Election of officers

The Specialized Section will elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. At its seventeenth session, the group elected Mr. Ian King (Australia) as its Chairperson and Mr. Craig Morris (United States) as its Vice-Chairperson.

## 11. Adoption of the report

The Specialized Section will adopt its report. Owing to the time constraint, the report of the meeting will be a short summary of the major decisions and discussions. It will only be available in English

## III. TENTATIVE TIMETABLE (revised 8.09.2010)

Thursday, 21 October	10.00 – 13.00	Items 1 – 5 and Item 9
	15.00 – 18.00	Item 6
Friday, 22 October	10.00 – 13.00	Item 6 (continued)
	15.00 – 18.00	Item 6 (continued), Items 7, 8, 10 and 11