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Revision of standards**Proposal by the delegation of Sweden to amend the standard for Chinese cabbage *****Submitted by the secretariat**

The following proposals (highlighted) were submitted by the delegation of Sweden for consideration by the Specialized Section.

This document is submitted according to ECE/CTCS/2019/10 section IV, ECE/CTCS/2019/2 Decision 2019-8.6, and A/75/6 (Sect.20) and supplementary information.

Under Section II Provisions concerning quality B. Classification:

Sweden proposes that the requirement “well formed” be removed from Class I.

Chinese cabbage in this class must be of good quality. They must be characteristic of the variety and/or commercial type.

They must be:

- ~~well formed~~
- compact and closed

The following slight defects, however, may be allowed, provided these do not affect the general appearance of the produce, the quality, the keeping quality, and presentation in the package:

- a slight defect in shape
- slight defects in colouring
- small cracks in the outer leaves.

Motivation: the standard states that the Chinese cabbage must be well formed, but further down, the standard also states that a slight defect in shape is allowed. This is ambiguous

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information that becomes difficult to interpret. It is proposed to amend the standard accordingly.
