Proposal by FAO on the possible amendment to headings 08.04 and 08.10 in respect of tropical fruits

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BACKGROUND TO THE PROPOSAL – FAO’S WORK ON TRADE IN TROPICAL FRUITS

- FAO routinely monitors developments in global trade in:
  - Bananas, mangoes, pineapples, avocados and papayas
- Market updates on these commodities are issued twice per year
- Medium-term outlook in the OECD-FAO Agricultural Outlook
- Scenario analyses to gauge potential impacts of shocks
- Analyses of minor tropical fruits where data allow (e.g. durian)
- All information available on FAO’s commodity webpages:
RISING IMPORTANCE OF GLOBAL TRADE IN MINOR TROPICAL FRUITS

• Approximately 2.6 million tonnes in global exports in 2021
• Exports of mangosteen and guava an additional ~400 000t
• Bulk of trade takes place within Asia
• Demand strongest in countries with rapid income growth
• In producing areas, important source of income
• Revenue from trade up to 75% of smallholders’ income
  ➢ Potential for diversification & strengthened resilience
  ➢ Improved nutritional outcomes in trading countries
The proposal targets tropical fruits under HS codes 0804.50 and 0810.90.

HS code 0804.50 currently comprises mangoes, mangosteens and guavas clustered together.

Most so-called minor tropical fruits are currently clustered under HS code 0810.90.

**PROPOSAL:**
- Separate mangoes, guavas and mangosteens
- Create separate codes for five other minor tropical fruits currently included in 0810.90.
STATUS OF THE PROPOSAL – as reported in the summary

Annexes E/3 and F/20 – Possible amendment to headings 08.04 and 08.10 in respect of tropical fruits (Proposal by the FAO).

290. All delegates who expressed their view in the CLiKC! Forum supported the proposal presented by the FAO. Thailand and Guatemala also supported the amendment suggested by the Secretariat.

291. The UK suggested to change the order of the subheadings under 0804.5 to be in the same order as the heading text. The Sub-Committee agreed.

292. The Sub-Committee agreed to send the proposed amendment to the HSC for adoption at its next session.

293. The text of the possible amendment to headings 08.04 and 08.10 in respect of tropical fruits is set out in Annex F/20 to the RSC/61 Report.

294. The Committee is invited to provisionally adopt, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 16 of the HS Convention, the text approved by the Review Sub-Committee.
THANK YOU!