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Invitation to the Twenty-sixth Session of the FAO/WHO COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR EUROPE

Warsaw, Poland, 7 – 10 October 2008

Reply requested by 1 September 2008

The Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and the Director-General of the World Health Organization have the honour to extend an invitation to attend the above Session which will be held at the Novotel Warszawa Centrum, 94/98 Marszałkowska Street, 00-510 Warsaw, Poland, at the kind invitation of the Government of the Republic of Poland. The Session will begin at 10.00 hours on Tuesday 7 October 2008. Registration facilities will open at 09.00 hours.

The Session is being convened under the authority of the Codex Alimentarius Commission, and is open to Member Nations and Associate Members of both Organizations, and also to observers. Member Nations and Associate Members of both Organizations which are not Members of the Codex Alimentarius Commission or Members of the Codex Alimentarius Commission which do not belong to the geographic location of Europe, may attend as observers. Expenses incurred in connection with attendance at sessions of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies and travel of the delegations of the Members of the Commission and of the observers, shall be borne by the governments concerned.

The Session will be conducted in English, French, Spanish and Russian. Simultaneous interpretation facilities will be provided in these languages. Interpretation in Russian will be the responsibility of the Host Government.

The Provisional Agenda is enclosed. Further documents will be available for downloading at <http://www.codexalimentarius.net> as soon as they are available.

The Directors-General of FAO and WHO would appreciate being informed **by 1 September 2008** of the names, official titles and addresses of the representatives or observers designated to attend. This information should be sent to Ms. Marzena Chacińska, Head of Department, Agricultural and Food Quality Inspection, International Co-operation Department, 30 Wspólna Street, 00-930 Warsaw, Poland, fax.: + 48 22 623 29 97 or e-mail: kodeks@ijhars.gov.pl with copies to: (1) the Secretary, Codex Alimentarius Commission, Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy, fax.: +39(06)5705.4593 or e-mail: Codex@fao.org and (2) Ms Awilo Ochieng Pernet, Swiss Federal Office of Public Health, Division of International Affairs, CH-3003 Bern, Switzerland, fax: +41.31.322.95.74 or e-mail: codex@bag.admin.ch.

Participants should be advised to enquire at the nearest Embassy or Consulate of Poland whether visas or other documents are required to enter Poland.

This invitation is sent to addressees of invited countries in the official mailing lists of FAO and WHO, as follows:

For ACTION, as appropriate:

Ministries of Foreign Affairs,
Ministries of Agriculture, or
Ministries of Health, as appropriate
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This invitation is also being sent to Heads of selected international organizations.