

# Notices

Federal Register

Vol. 61, No. 100

Wednesday, May 22, 1996

This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. 96-024N]

#### Codex Alimentarius: Public Meeting of Executive Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are sponsoring a public meeting on May 29, 1996, to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items that will be discussed at the Codex Executive Meeting, which will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, June 4-7, 1996. The cosponsors of the May 29th public meeting recognize the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the Forty-third Session of the Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex) and to address items on the Agenda.

**DATES:** The public meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 29, 1996, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held in Room 107-A, Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 14th and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joan Mondschein, Confidential Assistant to the Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 1763, South Agriculture Building, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250. Telephone: (202) 720-7323; Fax: (202) 720-5124.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Codex was established in 1962 by two United Nations organizations, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO). Codex is the major international organization for encouraging fair international trade in food and protecting the health and economic interests of consumers. Through adoption of food standards, codes of practice, and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to ensure that the world's food supply is sound, wholesome, free from adulteration, and correctly labeled. In the United States, USDA, FDA, and EPA manage and carry out U.S. Codex activities.

##### Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following specific issues will be discussed during the public meeting:

1. Financial and Budgetary Matters
    - Report on the accounts of the Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme for 1994/5 and on the budget for 1996/7
    - Cost implications of providing documentation and interpretation in the Arabic language
    - New mechanisms for strengthening of Codex work
  2. Implementation of the Commission's Programme of Work
    - Progress in achieving the Medium-Term Objectives
    - Implementation of decisions taken by the 21st Session of the Commission
    - Management of the Programme of Work
- Proposals for new items of work (Step 1)
- Consideration of Proposed Draft Standards and related texts at Step 5
3. Risk Analysis in Codex Work: Progress report.
  4. Determination, Interpretation and Application of Residue Limits.
  5. Draft Provisional Agenda for the 22nd Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

Done at Washington, DC, May 16, 1996.  
 Michael R. Taylor,  
*Under Secretary for Food Safety.*  
 [FR Doc. 96-12844 Filed 5-21-96; 8:45 am]  
**BILLING CODE 3410-DM-P**

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Export Administration

#### Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

A meeting of the Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee will be held June 19 & 20, 1996, Room 1617M-2, in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. This Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to information systems equipment and technology.

June 19

*Closed Session:* 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

1. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with U.S. export control programs and strategic criteria related thereto.

June 20

*General Session:* 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

2. Opening remarks by the Chairmen.
  3. Presentation of papers or comments by the public.
  4. Discussion on reform of the Export Administration Regulations.
  5. Presentation on technology trends for input/output interfaces.
  6. Presentation on cryptography metrics: strength and techniques.
- General Session:* 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.
7. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with U.S. export control programs and strategic criteria related thereto.

The General Session of the meeting is open to the public and a limited number of seats will be available. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. Written statements may be submitted at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation