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E.2 – Food processing technologies and Novel Food

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Meeting of the competent authorities - Regulation (EU) 2015/2283
«Working Group Novel Food»

15 May 2018

Informal summary record

Present:

Member States: AT, BE, CZ, DE, DK, ES, EE, FI, HR, HU, IE, LU, LV, LT, NL, PL, RO, SI, SE, UK.
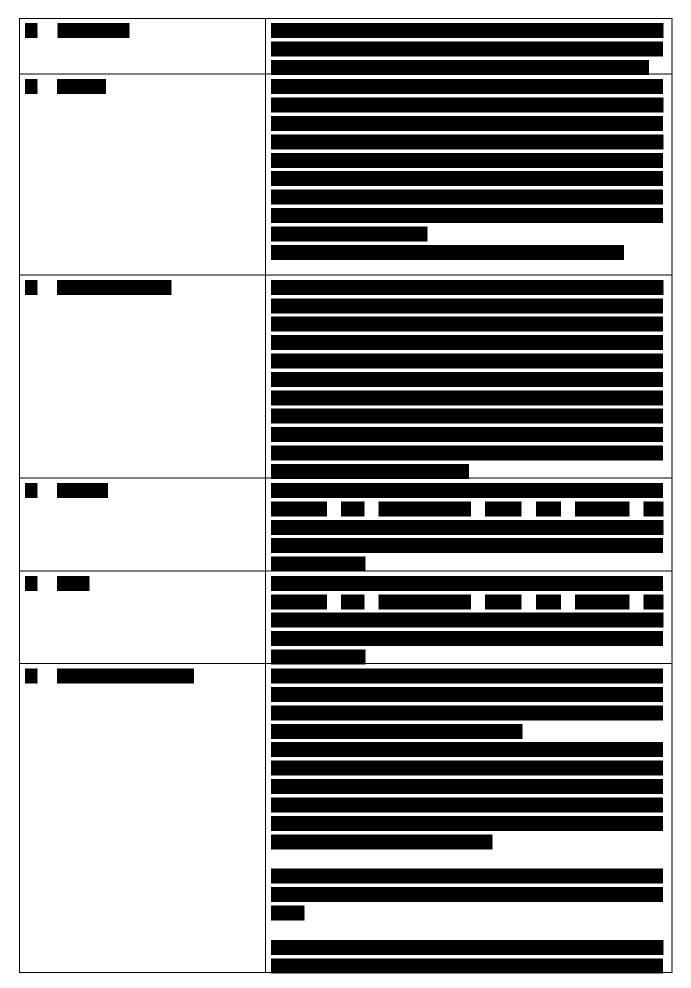**EEA EFTA States:** NO

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Draft Agenda

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10. Status of Cannabis sativa, CBD and Cannabinoids	AT made a presentation on CBD and other cannabinoids. In the presentation, some proposals on how to move forward were made. After the presentation, issues on safety and novel food status were discussed. It was agreed that the NFC should be reworded with clear information on what is novel and what is not novel. The statement made at the Standing Committee for Foodstuffs on 18 Dec on hemp plant and hemp flowers was read out by UK (*The Standing Committee agreed that hemp flower used for the production of beer-like beverages are considered to be food ingredients and not additives since they are used in the same manner as hop flower. Secondly, it was decided that foods containing parts of the hemp plant do not fall under the scope of Regulation (EC) No 258/97*). It was proposed to establish in the NFC 3 entries, namely **one entry** for what is not considered novel such as hemp seed products (e.g. hemp seed milk, hemp seed protein, hemp seed oil). Following the Standing Committee it could also be added hemp flower used for the production of beer-like beverages as long as it is used in the same manner as hop flower. **Second entry** should refer to what is novel. CBD or any extract. **Third entry** should refer to the plant *Cannabis sativa*. MS should send the proposals based on these 3 entries by 31 May to COM. Once all the proposal have been made, COM will compile them and send it back as a single document for final comments.
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