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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT: CREATION OF THE PHILIPPINES ELECTRONIC WORKING GROUP

In the exigency of service, the Philippines Electronic Working Group (EWG) is hereby created to provide technical expert and information in support to the Philippines proposal on amending the *Standard for Canned Sardines and Sardine-Type Products* (CXS 94-1981).

The Philippines EWG shall be composed of the following:

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The Philippines EWG shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

- (1) Oversee the sensory evaluation and biomass estimates of the candidate species, i.e. *S. lemuru*, in accordance with the Procedural Manual of Codex, particularly Sections 2.3, 3.2.1, 3.3, and 4.0 (Annex 1);
- (2) Coordinate and facilitate virtual meetings and other related work with the three CCFFP35-approved laboratories from Italy, Spain, and Portugal
- (3) Prepare report/s, findings, conclusions and recommendations to the 36th Session of Codex Committee on Fish and Fishery Product (CCFFP36); and
- (4) Coordinate and report proceedings to the National Codex Organization – Technical Committee (NCO-TC) and the Codex Contact Point (CCP).

All expenses to be incurred by the Philippines EWG in the conduct of various meetings and activities shall be chargeable against their respective Offices' funds, subject to the availability of funds and existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders, memoranda, and other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 24th day of December, 2021.



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