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ANNEX I

CONDITIONS FOR AUTHORISING FOOD IRRADIATION

- 1. Food irradiation may be authorised only if:
- there is a reasonable technological need,
- it presents no health hazard and is carried out under the conditions proposed,
- it is of benefit to the consumer,
- it is not used as a substitute for hygiene and health practices or for good manufacturing or agricultural practice.
- 2. Food irradiation may be used only for the following purposes:
- to reduce the incidence of food-borne disease by destroying pathogenic organisms,
- to reduce spoilage of foodstuffs by retarding or arresting decay processes and destroying spoilage organisms,
- to reduce loss of foodstuffs by premature ripening, germination or sprouting,
- to rid foodstuffs of organisms harmful to plant or plant products.