

## CONDITIONS APPLYING TO NON-GOVERNMENTAL ADVISORS IN NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT DELEGATIONS TO CODEX SESSIONS

Participation in a New Zealand government delegation is subject to acceptance in writing of the following conditions:

- The advisor will at all times be under the authority of the Head of the New Zealand Delegation (HOD) or, in his/her absence, that of the Deputy HOD. The advisor will comply with the HOD's instructions and with any instructions received from the New Zealand government.
- The advisor will act consistently with the New Zealand government's interests as identified in the delegation brief or by the HOD. If required, s/he will also assist in compiling the delegation report.
- The confidentiality of information received through participation in the official New Zealand delegation is to be maintained. This includes government documents, restricted conference documents, delegation discussions and such international negotiations as are conducted in camera.
- The advisor is required to attend either in person or by teleconference, any preparatory and debriefing meetings.
- This confidentiality particularly applies to any communications with the press.
- The advisor may brief sponsoring organisations on developments and results in the negotiation during the Codex session, but only on the basis that any information of a sensitive nature provided to sponsoring organisations will not be revealed publicly by them.
- Any articles written by the advisor about the negotiations are subject to clearance by the HOD or by the Codex Contact Point in the New Zealand Food Safety Authority.
- It is understood that inclusion in the New Zealand delegation does not imply any obligation on behalf of the New Zealand government to meet costs of non-governmental advisors.

*I agree to abide by the above conditions in respect of my inclusion on the New Zealand delegation to this Codex session: .....*

Signature: .....

Name: .....

Date: .....