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MILITARY SPECIFICATION

FRUITCAKE BAR

This amendment forms a part of Military Specification, MIL-F-3897C, dated 12 July 1967, and is mandatory for use by all Departments and Agencies of the Department of Defense.

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2.1, under "MILITARY STANDARDS". Delete "MIL-STD-668 - Sanitary Standards for Food Plants".

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2.2, under "Department of Agriculture", third reference item. Delete "CMS - Visual Aid #1". Third reference source. Delete "Agricultural" and substitute: "Analytical". Delete "Official Methods of Analysis" and substitute: "Official Methods of Analysis of the Association of Official Analytical Chemists".

2.2 Add the following publications and sources:

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE, AGENT

Uniform Freight Classification

(Application for copies should be addressed to the Uniform Classification Committee, Room 1106, 222 South Riverside Plaza, Chicago, Illinois 60606.)

NATIONAL MOTOR FREIGHT TRAFFIC ASSOCIATION, INC., AGENT

National Motor Freight Classification

(Application for copies should be addressed to the American Trucking Associations, Inc., Tariff Order Section, 1616 P Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.)"

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- * 3.2.3 and 3.2.4 Delete and substitute:

"3.2.3 Eggs, whole, fresh frozen or dried. The egg product shall be whole, fresh, frozen or dried or a combination thereof. Egg products shall have been produced and handled in compliance with requirements set forth in the USDA publication entitled "Regulations Governing the Inspection of Eggs and Egg Products". They shall be prepared under continuous inspection of the USDA and shall bear the inspection shield mark. If fresh eggs are used, temperatures shall be maintained at or below 40°F prior to use; when thawed frozen eggs are used the temperature and time requirements of the above regulations shall be met. When dried eggs are used in the formulation, an equivalency ratio of 1-part by weight of dried eggs to 3-parts by weight of water shall be maintained.

3.2.4 Shortening. The shortening shall be refined hydrogenated peanut oil or refined hydrogenated cottonseed oil or a combination of both, and shall have a stability of not less than 100 hours as determined by the active oxygen method (AOM) (see 4.5.2). The shortening shall contain an antioxidant in the form of TBHQ at the maximum allowable level."

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3.3 Formulation. Delete "Percent" and substitute: "Parts by weight". Opposite "Flour", delete "20.0" and substitute: "20-24". Opposite "Raisins" under "Parts by Weight" column, insert:

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| TOTAL | 16 |
| Comprised of: Whole (Minimum) | 10 |
| Ground (Maximum) | 6 |

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- 4.2 Delete and substitute as follows:

"4.2 Preacceptance inspection (plant sanitation inspection.) The product shall be rejected if produced in plants not meeting the requirements of 3.6".

- 4.3.1.1, lines 2 and 3. Delete parenthetical wording and substitute:

- * "... (kind, size, soluble solids, grade, presence of USDA Inspection Shield, as applicable)..."

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4.3.1.2, line 7. Add to paragraph: "Certification of shortening stability and addition of TBHQ shall be acceptable for compliance, in lieu of verification testing."

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Table V, Footnote 1/. Delete and substitute as follows:

"1/ Use USDA - Visual Aid for inspection of metal containers, as a guide for classifying can defects."

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4.4 Delete entirely.

4.5, line 3. Delete "inspection activity" and substitute: "contracting officer".

4.5.1, line 2. Delete "Agricultural" and substitute: "Analytical".

Line 4. Delete "period" after "moisture" and substitute a "comma", add at end of paragraph as follows:

"except that the sample shall be ground in an Osterizer, Waring Blender or similar type of high speed blending apparatus".

5.1, second sentence. Delete and substitute: "The wrapper material shall be 0.0014-inch thick cellophane complying with type IV, class 2 or type VI of L-C-110. In addition, type VI material shall conform to the requirements stipulated by the Food and Drug Administration, Code of Federal Regulations for Contact with Food (title 21:121.2507)."

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* 5.2, last sentence. Delete and substitute: "The shipping container shall be in accordance with Uniform Freight Classification or National Motor Freight Classification, as applicable."

Add "NOTE" as follows:

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