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Cargill become the first edible oils supplier to implement a best practice on iTFA

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The WHO's REPLACE initiative provides a guide for governments and industry to implement a best practice on iTFA in the global food supply chain to address related health concerns. Cargill is the first edible oils supplier to make this commitment, joining many of the world's largest food companies and members of the International Food and Beverage Alliance (IFBA) who have committed to the WHO goal.

"We are thrilled to see Cargill's commitment to reduce iTFAs in all of their oils, in service of the World Health Organization's goal to phase iTFAs out of the food supply," said René Lammers, Executive Vice President and Chief Science Officer, PepsiCo. "This move aligns with PepsiCo's efforts to reduce iTFAs in our foods and is a crucial part of our pep+ (PepsiCo Positive) journey to evolve our food and beverage portfolio to be better for the planet and people. Cargill is an important part of our supply chain and we look forward to working together to continue to accelerate progress toward our iTFA goals."

"Even as the world continues to battle the COVID-19 pandemic, we know that worldwide, improving nutrition remains a top concern," said David Webster, leader of Cargill's food ingredients and bioindustrial enterprise and chief risk officer. "This

commitment aligns with our purpose to nourish the world in a safe, responsible and sustainable way and gives us the opportunity as a collective industry to remove iTFAs from the global food supply no matter where food is manufactured or consumed. We know this effort will take time, and we are eager to work with customers as they take this important step.”