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CODEX COMMITTEE ON RESIDUES OF VETERINARY DRUGS IN FOODS

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CONSIDERATION OF COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON THE PRIORITY LIST OF VETERINARY DRUGS REQUIRING EVALUATION OR REEVALUATION (prepared by Australia)

1. The 12th Session of the Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods (CCRVDF) agreed to reconvene its *ad hoc* Working Group on Priorities at its 13th Session under the Chairmanship of Australia (ALINORM 01/31, para. 132) and in this regard, Circular Letter CL 2000/23–RVDF was distributed in July 2000 requesting proposals for veterinary drugs to be added to the Priority List. No comments for additions to the Priority List were received in response to Codex Circular Letter CL 2000/23–RVDF.
2. Attached at Annex 1 is the Priority List of Veterinary Drugs as agreed at the 12th Session of the CCRVDF (ALINORM 01/31, para. 131 and Appendix VIII).
3. The Committee should note that the earlier commitment to submit data on cefuroxime for evaluation at the 58th meeting of JECFA stands. However, the commitment pertaining to the submission of data in support of the evaluation of pirlimycin at the 58th meeting of JECFA in February 2002 has been withdrawn.
4. Fourteen substances were tentatively added to the priority list pending confirmation that data will become available. The European Community has previously evaluated these fourteen substances and agreed to work with JECFA and COMISA (currently named the International Federation for Animal Health – IFAH) to explore the possibility of obtaining approval from sponsors for the European Commission to send their dossiers to JECFA by June 2001 for evaluation. Alternatively, the sponsors could submit their dossiers directly to JECFA. This strategy has now been explored but without success. The European Community has informed the Committee that, at present, no company was prepared to provide a dossier to JECFA, or act as a sponsor for the establishment of Codex MRLs.
5. An additional nine substances were identified at the 12th CCRVDF on which sponsors were sought. No commitment to submit data for any of these veterinary drugs was obtained.
6. The European Community provided comments in response to Codex Circular Letter CL 2000/23–RVDF. It noted that Council Regulation (EEC) No 2377/90 on maximum residue limits for substances used in veterinary medicinal products in the European Community has been fully implemented since 1 January 2000 and more than 600 substances have been included in the Annexes to the Regulation. There is therefore no immediate need for proposals from a European perspective.

**PRIORITY LIST OF VETERINARY DRUGS
(ALINORM 01/31, APPENDIX VIII)**

Substances for which a firm commitment of data has been provided:

cefuroxime
pirlimycin

Substances tentatively added on the priority list pending confirmation that data will become available:

amoxicillin	furosemide
amprolium	nitroxylin
apramycin	novobiocin
clorsulon	oxyclozanide
coumafos	oxytocin
erythromycin	piperazine
florfenicol	trimethoprim

Substances on which sponsors are sought:

buparvaquone	rafoxanide
chlorfenvinphos	salinomycin
homidium	sulfatroxazole
monensin	triflumuron
parvaquone	

LIST OF SUBSTANCES SCHEDULED FOR EVALUATION AT THE 58TH MEETING OF JECFA ¹
(Rome, 21-27 February 2002)

Status	Substance
Full evaluation	Cefuroxime
Re-evaluation	
Toxicology & analytical method	Cyhalothrin
Metabolism, residues and analytical method	<i>alpha</i> -Cypermethrin
Analytical method	Dihydrostreptomycin and streptomycin
Toxicology	Doramectin
Residues & analytical method	Ivermectin
Residues	Lincomycin
Analytical method	Melengestrol acetate
Registration information	Neomycin
Residues & analytical method	Oxytetracycline
Residues & analytical method	Phoxim
Toxicology	Thiabendazole
Residues & analytical method	Thiamphenicol
Residues & analytical method	Cypermethrin

¹ See the List of Substances Scheduled for Evaluation and Request for Data (issued by JECFA under separate cover).