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Agenda Item 4

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JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME CODEX COMMITTEE ON RESIDUES OF VETERINARY DRUGS IN FOODS

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COMMENTS OF CHINA

Agenda Item 4 Matters of Interest arising from FAO/WHO and from the 78th Meeting of the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA)

China would like to provide the following comments on matters of interest arising from FAO/WHO and from the 78th Meeting of the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA).

- 1. China maintains reservation on adoption of the MARL for Recombinant bovine somatotropins.
- 2. Zilpaterol Hydrochloride, same as Ractopamine, belongs to the beta receptor agonists. According to China's experiments on Ractopamine residues assessment in animal tissues, we confirmed that the residue concentration was the highest and the duration was longest in lungs. Therefore, we believe that it is a potential risk in Zilpaterol Hydrochloride residues in animal lungs and other edible offal. We suggest that JECFA take into account the risk of edible offal, such as lungs, in conducting the safety assessment of Zilpaterol Hydrochloride.