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SUBJECT: **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS OF PESTICIDES OF THE CODEX COMMITTEE ON PESTICIDE RESIDUES FOR EVALUATION BY THE JOINT FAO/WHO EXPERT MEETINGS ON PESTICIDE RESIDUES**

DEADLINE: **20 February 2020**

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A. SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS 2021-2024

1. Appendix A includes the CCPR Schedules and Priority Lists of Pesticides (Tables 1-4) as specified in the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) Procedural Manual "Risk Analysis Principles Applied by the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR)".
2. Amendments to the CCPR Schedules and Priority Lists, outlined in the report of CCPR51 (REP19/PR, Appendix X and Conference Room Document (CRD02)) following comments received after CAC42 approved on-going work on priority setting, are shown in red text. Every effort is made to accurately record nominations lodged during this period. As this is a 'working' spreadsheet, amendments can be made without delay, should errors be identified.
 - Codex member countries and observer organizations who have registered to the Electronic Working Group on the Priority List (and therefore are members of the CCPR-EWG/PL) can lodge their comments in reply to this circular letter (CL) on the 'Priority List' forum on the Codex web platform: <https://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/viewforum.php?f=238>.
 - Codex member countries and observer organizations who have not registered to the Electronic Working Group on the Priority List (and therefore are not members of the CCPR-EWG/PL) should send their comments in word or excel file to the Chair of the EWG (Australia) with a copy to the CCPR and Codex Secretariats as indicated in the box above.

Codex members and observers who have not registered to the CCPR-EWG/PL within the timeframe indicated in the Invitation to join this EWG (that was distributed in July 2018) are no longer eligible for registering as members to this EWG.
 - Nominating members and observers are encouraged to closely review the worksheets to ensure accuracy.
3. The 2020 CCPR Schedule of Evaluations by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Meetings on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) is closed but included at this stage for reference only.

B. FINALISING THE 2021 PROPOSED SCHEDULE

4. To assist consideration of scheduling for 2021, the proposed 2021 CCPR Schedule of JMPR Evaluations is extracted from Tables 1 and 2A and appears in three worksheets with the prefix '2021'.
5. The '2021 new cpd' worksheet lists 5 compounds in 2021 new compound proposed schedule. National registrations have been confirmed for three of the listed compounds.
 - **No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.**
6. The '2021 new use – other' worksheet lists 26 nominations for new use. Of 26 nominations, evidence of product labels / national registration has been provided for 15 compounds. The commodities for these 15 compounds are listed in upper case text.
 - **No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.**
 - **Nominators are encouraged to provide evidence of national registration as soon as practicable to confirm a place on the Proposed 2021 Schedule.**
7. The '2021 periodrev' worksheet lists 9 compounds in the Proposed 2021 Schedule of Periodic Reviews. Currently, there is no evidence of support for three of the listed compounds. Noting JMPR resources and the number of new compounds scheduled for evaluation in 2021, a maximum of six compounds can be included for periodic re-evaluation in the final schedule. The remaining compound will be deferred to 2022 proposed schedule.
 - No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.
8. In addition, there are several compounds from the 2019 and 2020 schedules of periodic reviews which were not evaluated by JMPR. Further advice from sponsors is required to clarify the status of those compounds.
 - **A decision concerning ongoing retention of unsupported compounds on the CCPR List of Pesticides and maintenance of existing Codex maximum residue limits for pesticides (CXLs) will need to be made at CCPR52. A planned Discussion Paper concerning the management of unsupported compounds may assist CCPR to reach a decision regarding these compounds.**
 - **Members and observers are strongly encouraged to consider appropriate strategies for retention should any of these compounds remain important to respective interests.**
 - **For those compounds where support has been noted, most of the nominations require significant additional information including commodities supported, availability of residue trials and the availability of toxicological data packages.**
9. **Advice Notes (New Use and Other Evaluations)**
 - Consistent with the approach taken at CCPR48, member countries and observer international organizations (sponsors) who have nominated compounds for the proposed new uses and other evaluations Schedule can only confirm a place on the Schedule by submitting documented evidence of a registered use / authorized formulation labels / Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) or at least evidence of data submission to a national regulatory authority with a view to obtaining a registration / authorized formulation label / GAP **prior to CCPR52.**
 - Nominators / manufactures are encouraged to submit evidence of national registrations / product labels as soon as practicable.
 - Should more than 20 compound nominations on the 2021 Schedule meet the registered use / formulation label / GAP requirement, the first 20 compounds meeting the requirements will be scheduled for evaluation and those beyond number 20 will be given a **RESERVE** status.
 - As per the new compound approach, should the opportunity present, JMPR may choose to evaluate a **RESERVE** compound.

C. PRIORITY LISTS 2022 AND BEYOND – TABLE 1

10. The 'Table 1 – 2022 & beyond - new cpds' worksheet includes 11 nominations for future scheduling. Seven of the compounds are expected to form part of the 2022 Proposed Schedule for CCPR53. The remaining four compounds are marked for future years on request by the nominators / manufacturers.
11. The 'Table 1 – 2022 & beyond - new use - other' worksheet includes 22 nominations for future scheduling.

D. PRIORITY LISTS 2022 AND BEYOND – TABLE 2A

12. The 'Table 2A' worksheet includes priority lists for periodic reviews in 2022 (6 compounds). All the listed compounds meet the "15-year rule".

E. TABLE 2B

13. The 'Table 2B' worksheet lists 47 compounds which meet the "15-year rule" but have not yet been listed for periodic review.

F. PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS

14. In accordance with the nomination process described in the Codex Procedural Manual "Risk Analysis Principles applied by the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues", Members and Observers may lodge public health concerns for any compound in the CCPR Pesticide List including those already listed in Tables 2A and 2B. In lodging a public health concern, the nominator must provide supporting scientific data.

G. PERIODIC REVIEWS (UNSUPPORTED COMPOUNDS)

15. Member countries and Observers with an interest are strongly encouraged to provide advice on the following compounds which remain unsupported:

- 2018 & 2019: **Amitraz PHC (122), Bromopropylate PHC (070), Fenarimol PHC (192), Dicloran PHC (083),**
- 2021: **Bromide ion (047), Fenbutatin oxide (109), Permethrin (120).**

NB: PHC denotes public health concern lodged

H. REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

16. Members and observers are invited to submit comments on the CCPR schedules and priority lists for pesticides for evaluation by JMPR as directed by the circular letter (see paragraph 2).
17. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers should your country or organization have not registered / are not a member of the CCPR/EWG-PL.
18. Nominating Codex members and observers are encouraged to closely review the worksheets to ensure accuracy.
19. The circular letter and the excel sheet on CCPR schedules and priority lists for evaluation by JMPR will be available on the Codex website as indicated below.

Circular Letter (CL 2020/05-PR): <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/>

Excel sheet: http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/codexalimentarius/xls_upload/cl20_05eAppendix.xlsx

The excel sheet on CCPR Schedules is available in **English only**.

20. The 2020 CCPR Schedule of JMPR Evaluations is closed but included at this stage for information only.