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SUBJECT: **Request for Comments at Step 6 on the draft Guidelines for the Control of *Trichinella* spp. in Meat of Suidae**

DEADLINE: **10 October 2014**

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BACKGROUND

1. The 45th Session of the Committee on Food Hygiene (CCCFH) agreed to advance the proposed Draft Guidelines for the Control of *Trichinella* spp. in Meat of Suidae to the 46th Session of the Commission for adoption at Step 5/8 (REP14/FH, para. 64 and Appendix III).
2. The 36th Session of the Commission adopted the proposed draft Guidelines at Step 5 only with the understanding that further consideration of the Guidelines in CCFH would be focused on sections 7.3 and 9 (REP14/CAC, para. 51-52, Appendix IV).

Request for comments

3. Comments are hereby requested at Step 6 on the Draft Guidelines for the Control of *Trichinella* spp. in Meat of Suidae as presented in Appendix III of REP14/FH. The document is available at the following address: ftp://ftp.fao.org/codex/reports/reports_2014/REP14_FHe.pdf.
4. Comments should focus on sections 7.3 and 9 as per para. 2 above.
5. Governments and international organizations wishing to provide comments should do so in writing **preferably by e-mail** to the above addresses before **10 October 2014**.