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6 CL 2022/20 (REV)-PR	<p>Request for comments at Step 3 on the recommendations of the Joint FAO/WHO Meetings on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) (2021)</p> <p><i>Comments on the proposed MRLs that corresponds to Step 3 of the Codex Procedure as proposed by the 2021 JMPR Extraordinary and Regular Meetings and also on other recommendations which are relevant to the work of CCPR53 (see tables in Annex 1 and Annex 2), as well as concern forms.</i></p> <p>Doc. Ref.: CL 2022/20(REV1)-PR</p>	General Comment	n/a	n/a	<p>The Philippines generally agrees on the proposed draft MRLs of the list of pesticide specified on CL 2022/20 (Rev1).</p> <p>The Philippines acknowledges the review, evaluation and recommendations made by the Joint FAO/WHO Meetings on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) including the estimation of pesticide residue levels and dietary risk assessment conducted.</p>
7(a) 7.11	<p>Request for comments on the establishment of MRLs for pesticides for okra</p> <p><i>Comments on Options 1 and 2 or to provide an alternative option for the establishment of MRLs for pesticides for okra as contained in Appendix I to CX/PR 22/53/6</i></p> <p>Doc. Ref.: CL 2022/34-PR / CX/PR 22/53/6</p>	Specific Comment	n/a	n/a	<p>The Philippines agrees with Option 1 retaining okra to Subgroup 12B – pepper and pepper-like commodities including the annotations 1 & 2 for extrapolation of MRLs for okra.</p> <p>The established MRLs for okra in the Philippines are adopted from Codex, ASEAN, JAS, and list of proposed MRLs of registered pesticide products following the principles of GAP and Codex principle and guidance for selection of representative commodity.</p>

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7(b/c) 7.21 and 7.3	<p>Request for comments at Step 3 on the revision of the Classification of Food and Feed: Class B – Primary Food Commodities of Animal Origin (All Types) and Class E - Processed Foods of Animal Origin (All Types)</p> <p><i>a. General comments on the overall approach to the revision of Class B and Class E;</i></p> <p><i>b. Specific comments on Types/Groups/Sub-Groups of Class B and Class E that may require further development; and</i></p> <p><i>c. Guidance on whether the revised Class B and Class E are ready for advancement in the Step Procedure.</i></p> <p>Doc. Ref.: CL 2022/35(REV1)-PR / CX/PR 22/53/7 & CX/PR 22 53/8</p>	General Comment	n/a	n/a	<p>The Philippines generally agrees with the overall proposed revision for the Classification of Food and Feed: Class B – Primary Food Commodities of Animal Origin and Class E - Processed Foods of Animal Origin (All Types), i.e., inclusion of additional commodities, creation of subgroups, new group & type, and supports the advancement of the revised Class B and Class E to the next Step procedure. The Philippines acknowledges these revisions will enable easier facilitation of categorizing both primary food and processed food commodities of animal origin.</p>
8	<p>Coordination of work between CCPR/CCRVDF: Request for comments on harmonized definitions/terms for: “edible offal” and other edible animal tissues i.e. “meat” / “muscle” and “fat”</p> <p><i>*Note: Codex members & observers are invited to coordinate responses with their plant protection offices and veterinary offices in order to facilitate the establishment of single/harmonized MRLs for compounds with dual uses for edible tissues of animal origin</i></p> <p>Doc. Ref.: CL 2022/36-PR / CX/PR 22/53/9</p>	General Comment	n/a	n/a	<p>The Philippines supports the proposed definition for “edible offal” as agreed by the CCRVDF25 and adopted by CAC44 as well as the definition/descriptors for edible tissues of animal origin, i.e. “meat”, “muscle” and fat”, as proposed by the JECFA/JMPR for the establishment of single/harmonized MRLs for the same tissue/food for compounds with dual uses.</p>

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9 9.1	<p>Request for comments at Step 6 on the Guidelines for the recognition of active substances or authorized uses of active substances of low public health concern that are considered exempted from the establishment of MRL or do not give rise to residues</p> <p><i>a. General comments on the overall content of the Guidelines;</i></p> <p><i>b. Specific comments on provisions that may require further development; and</i></p> <p><i>c. Guidance on whether the Guidelines is ready for final adoption at Step 8 by CAC45 (2022)</i></p> <p>Doc. Ref.: CL 2022/37-PR / CX/PR 22/53/11</p>	General Comment	n/a	n/a	<p>The Philippines generally agrees with the overall content of the Guidelines for the recognition of active substances or authorized uses of active substances of low public health concern that are considered exempted from the establishment of MRL or do not give rise to residues. The country has not identified key issues that need further consideration and agrees on its readiness for final adoption.</p>
10 10.1	<p>Request for comments on the Criteria for selecting a global project manager to oversee the parallel review in collaboration with the JMPR Secretariat (Engagement of JMPR in parallel reviews with regulatory agencies for evaluation of (new) compounds</p> <p><i>1. General comments on the overall format and content as well as specific comments on provisions that may require further development;</i></p> <p><i>2. Views on:</i></p> <p><i>a. The proposed role and qualifications of the global project manager as described in Appendix I and determine whether they reflect the needs for managing the parallel review process.</i></p> <p><i>b. Potential candidates who meet the proposed qualifications and competencies to fulfill the role of the global project manager.</i></p> <p>Doc. Ref.: CL 2022/38-PR / CX/PR 22/53/12</p>	General Comment	n/a	n/a	<p>The Philippines generally agrees with the overall format and content of the criteria for the selection of a global project manager to oversee the parallel review in collaboration with the JMPR Secretariat. Qualifications of a global project manager need not be specific considering that it is a voluntary and unpaid position and that higher qualifications may pose restrictions for other countries to nominate potential candidates. Likewise, the inclusion of identifying conflict of interest between the global manager and the review process is a good measure to avoid any question of bias.</p>

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11 11.1	<p>Request for comments on the management of unsupported compounds without public health concerns scheduled for periodic review (proposal for a management proposal and options to support data management)</p> <p><i>1. General comments on the overall content of the work management proposal presented in Section 1 and the options for data support presented in Section 2;</i></p> <p><i>2. Specific comments on provisions that may require further development or additional provisions that could be included to further enhance the management proposal in Section 1 or the options presented in Section 2</i></p> <p><i>3. The establishment of an WG of Management of Unsupported Compound should the management proposal described in Section 1 is acceptable</i></p> <p>Doc. Ref.: CL 2022/39-PR / CX/PR 22/53/13</p>	General Comment	n/a	n/a	<p>The Philippines generally agrees with the overall content of the work management proposal presented in Section 1 and the options for data support presented in Section 2 and the establishment of a Working Group for the Management of Unsupported Compound as there are no additional concerns relative to this proposal that has to be addressed so far. Likewise, the country also agrees to the establishment of an EWG that will further refine this work arrangement proposal and consider different options for data support in implementing the said proposal.</p>