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China thanks the JMPR experts and the secretariat for their hard efforts and the tremendous work done. China notes the assessment of *combined exposure to multiple chemicals* introduced in section 2.2 of the *General Considerations* and supports JMPR to continue improving and implementing this assessment method.

Agenda Item 6

China thanks JMPR and appreciates its hard work in establishing Codex MRLs. China notes the risks of acute dietary exposure of 4 pesticides in 8 food products mentioned in the JMPR report, including **Pyflubumide** in apple (160% for general Chinese population and 390% for Chinese children), tea (230% for general Chinese population and 150% for Chinese children), **Bifenthrin** in strawberry (210% for general Dutch population and 380% for Dutch children); **Pydiflumetofen** in spinach (140% for Dutch children), lettuce (350% for Chinese children) and endive (230% for Dutch children); and **Tolfenpyrad** in tomato (190% for Chinese children 1-6 years) and eggplant (240% for Chinese children 1-6 years). Considering the health risks to children and the general population, China opposes advancing relevant proposed MRLs to step 5/8 and at the same time, supports JMPR to advance the other proposed MRLs to step 5/8.

Agenda Item 7

China thanks the electronic working group for its hard efforts and the tremendous work done. The Chinese delegation supports that no specific commodities shall be listed in *G078 manufactured multi-ingredient cereal products* for the moment.

Agenda Item 8

China thanks the electronic working group for its hard efforts and the tremendous work done, and the Chinese delegation will support the working group to continue discussing and improving the *Guidelines*.

Agenda Item 9

China appreciates the work and progress made by the electronic working group on analytical methods. The Chinese delegation suggests supporting the electronic working group to assess the timeliness and correctness of CXG 56-2005 and proposes to discuss whether to abolish CXG 56-2005 at the next CCPR meeting. At the same time, related contents of mass spectrometry in CXG 90-2017 shall be analyzed, and the necessity and options for revision shall be put forward.

Agenda Item 12

China thanks the electronic working group for its hard efforts and the tremendous work done and supports the international joint review on the premise of mutual acceptance of data. The electronic working group should further optimize the *principles and procedures of engagement in parallel reviews of new compounds* without increasing the workload of JMPR.