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TO: Codex Contact Points
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SUBJECT: **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS OF PESTICIDES FOR EVALUATION / RE-EVALUATION BY THE JOINT FAO/WHO EXPERT MEETINGS ON PESTICIDE RESIDUES (JMPR)**

DEADLINE: **28 February 2021**

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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, following comments received after CAC43 (REP20/CAC, paragraph 145, Appendix V) approved the new work proposal on Priority lists of pesticides for evaluation by JMPR in 2021, are shown in red bold 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 2021 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 2022 PROPOSED SCHEDULE

4. To assist consideration of scheduling for 2022, the proposed 2022 CCPR Schedule of JMPR Evaluations is extracted from Tables 1 and 2A and appears in three worksheets with the prefix '2022'.
5. The '2022 new cpd' worksheet lists 8 compounds in 2022 new compound proposed schedule. National registrations have been confirmed for four of the listed compounds.
 - **No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.**
 - **Nominators must provide evidence of national registration as soon as practicable and prior to CCPR52 plenary, to confirm a place on the Proposed 2022 Schedule.**
6. The '2022 new use – other' worksheet lists 29 nominations for new use. Of 29 nominations, evidence of product labels / national registration has been provided for 25 compounds. The commodities for these 25 compounds are listed in upper case text.
 - **No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.**
 - **Nominators must provide evidence of national registration as soon as practicable and prior to CCPR52 plenary, to confirm a place on the Proposed 2022 Schedule.**
7. The '2022 periodrev' worksheet lists 7 compounds in the Proposed 2022 Schedule of Periodic Reviews. Currently, there is no evidence of support for two of the listed compounds. Noting JMPR resources and the number of new compounds scheduled for evaluation in 2022, 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.
 - **Noting the compounds listed in the 2022 proposed schedule and compounds which may not be evaluated from 2021, no further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.**
8. In addition, there may be compounds from the 2020 and 2021 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 2023 AND BEYOND – TABLE 1

10. The 'Table 1 – 2023 & beyond - new cpds' worksheet includes 5 nominations for future scheduling. Four of the compounds are expected to form part of the 2023 Proposed Schedule for CCPR53. The remaining compounds are marked for 2024 on request by the nominators / manufacturers.
11. The 'Table 1 – 2023 & beyond - new use - other' worksheet includes 18 nominations for future scheduling.

D. PRIORITY LISTS 2023 AND BEYOND – TABLE 2A

12. The 'Table 2A' worksheet includes priority lists for periodic reviews in 2023 (8 compounds). All the listed compounds meet the "15-year rule".

E. TABLE 2B

13. The 'Table 2B' worksheet lists 42 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, presented in Table 5:
 - 2018 & 2019: **Amitraz PHC (122), Bromopropylate PHC (070), Fenarimol PHC (192), Dichloran PHC (083)**
 - 2021: **Bromide ion (047), Fenbutatin oxide (109), Permethrin (120)**
 - Other compounds listed in Table 5 where records indicate that the compound is not supported.

NB: PHC denotes public health concern lodged

H. REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

16. In view of the postponement of 52nd Session of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR52) to 26-31 July 2021, and the possible holding of this Session in virtual mode, Codex members and observers are strongly encouraged to submit comments on the CCPR schedules and priority lists for pesticides for evaluation / re-evaluation by JMPR as directed by the circular letter (see paragraph 2) and to send comments within the set deadline.
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 2021/7-PR): <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/resources/circular-letters/en/> or <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/committees/committee/related-circular-letters/en/?committee=CCPR>

Excel sheet: http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/codexalimentarius/doc/CL/CL_2021_07_CCPR.xlsx

The excel sheet is available in **English only**.

20. The 2021 CCPR Schedule of JMPR Evaluations is closed but included at this stage for information only.