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AGENDA ITEM 6.2 : DRAFT AND PROPOSED DRAFT MAXIMUM RESIDUE LIMITS IN FOODS AND FEEDS AT STEPS 7 AND 4

160 Propiconazole

Morocco supports advancement of the MRL to next Step:

- ✓ 10 mg/kg for FC 0002 Lemons and Limes (including Citron) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).
- ✓ 10 mg/kg for FC 0003 Mandarins (including Mandarin-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).
- ✓ 10 mg/kg for FC 0004 Oranges, Sweet, Sour (including orange-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).
- ✓ 4mg/kg for FC 0005 Pumelo and grapefruit (including Shaddock-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).

256 Fluxapyroxad

LMR citrus: 1 mg/kg (FC 0001 Citrus fruit, Group of includes all commodities in this group).

Morocco recommends to respect the new citrus classification to establish MRLs for each of the 4 subgroups:

- ✓ FC 0002 Lemons and Limes (including Citron) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).
- ✓ FC 0003 Mandarins (including Mandarin-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).
- ✓ FC 0004 Oranges, Sweet, Sour (including orange-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).
- ✓ FC 0005 Pumelo and grapefruit (including Shaddock-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).

110 Imazalil:

Morocco supports advancement of the MRL to next Step except new recommended MRL for Imazalil on citrus.

Morocco supports advancement of the MRL to next Step:

- ✓ 15 mg/kg for FC 0002 Lemons and Limes (including Citron) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).
- ✓ 8 mg/kg for FC 0004 Oranges, Sweet, Sour (including orange-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).

However, and in case of revocation of the CXL of the citrus group (5 mg / kg), Morocco expresses its concerns about the lack of CXL for the two others subgroups:

- ✓ Mandarins (including Mandarin-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).
- ✓ FC 0005 Pumelo and grapefruit (including Shaddock-like hybrids) Subgroup of (including all commodities in this subgroup).

The lack of CXL for mandarins and grapefruit may hinder international trade in these products, as Imazalil remains one of the compounds that effectively controls a broad spectrum of post-harvest diseases caused by the genus *Penicillium* but also caused by *Diplodia* and *Phomopsis* genera on citrus fruits. Therefore, this compound remains until now the most used at the packing facilities for the conservation of citrus fruit destined to the local market and for export.

Therefore, Morocco suggests to:

- ✓ Invite the sponsor to provide additional trials data for the two subgroups 001B Mandarines and 001D Pummelos,
- ✓ Maintain the Citrus Group CXL (5 mg / kg) for both subgroups 001B Mandarins and 001D Pummelos within the 4 years rule, pending the setting of MRLs for both subgroups, in accordance with the Codex Manual (Item 7 on ESTABLISHING MRLs / EMRLs).

AGENDA ITEM 11 : THE DEVELOPMENT OF GUIDANCE FOR COMPOUNDS OF LOW PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS THAT COULD BE EXEMPTED FROM THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CXLS

Morocco supports this work to harmonize legislation on MRLs for low public health concern compounds, including certain biopesticides and certain mineral compounds.

Morocco notes that the CXL exemption of low-risk compounds if adopted would encourage the use of these compounds in crop protection and for preservation of plants products.

AGENDA ITEM 12 : DISCUSSION PAPER ON THE MANAGEMENT OF UNSUPPORTED COMPOUNDS

Unsupported compounds with public health concern :

Morocco supports the approach proposed in point 11 of the working document, namely the re-evaluation of compounds for which the manufacturer has submitted data and the revocation of CXLS for compounds remaining unsupported or for which adequate data are not submitted.

Unsupported compounds without public health concern :

Morocco supports the Option 3: Members are granted 4 years to fulfill the data requirements to maintain the CXLS and if Members are unable to address the data requirements, all CXLS are to be withdrawn.

AGENDA ITEM 13 : NATIONAL REGISTRATIONS OF PESTICIDES (BASED ON INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN REPLY TO CL 2017/50-PR)

Morocco supports the continuation of the work and supports the updating of the database of national registration each every 3 years.

AGENDA ITEM 14 : ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CODEX SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS OF PESTICIDES FOR EVALUATION BY JMPR

Morocco proposes to schedule: Imazalil for subgroups FC 0003 Mandarins and FC 0005 Pummelos (Year to be agreed with the sponsor).