TO: Codex Contact Points  
Contact Points of international organizations having observer status with Codex

FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,  
Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

SUBJECT: Request for comments on the recommendations arising from the Joint CCPR/CCRVDF Electronic Working Group

DEADLINE: 30 January 2023

BACKGROUND
1. For background information, please refer to document CX/RVDF 23/26/9.

2. Codex members and observers are encouraged to submit comments in reply to this CL to facilitate the consideration of the recommendations at the upcoming CCRVDF.

3. The recommendations put forward by the Electronic Working Group between the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues and the Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods are aimed at improving cooperation of work between CCPR/CCRVDF and between the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) and the Joint FAO/WHO Meetings on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) on matters of common interest to CCPR/CCRVDF and JMPR/JECFA to facilitate the harmonization and implementation of MRLs for residues of compounds used as both pesticides and veterinary drugs.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS
4. Codex members and observers are invited to submit general and specific comments on the recommendations as described in paragraph 26 of CX/RVDF 23/26/9 as follows:
   a. Whether the recommendations are agreeable as proposed by the Joint EWG.
   b. Whether the recommendations can be improved for completeness (please provide technical/substantive revisions only) based on the background information provided in paragraphs 8-25 of CX/RVDF 23/26/9. If so, please provide a revised recommendation in track change mode.
   c. Whether there is room for additional recommendations based on the issues discussed in the Joint EWG as described in paragraphs 8-25 of CX/RVDF 23/26/9. If so, please provide additional recommendation(s).

GUIDANCE ON THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS
5. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers using the OCS.

6. Contact Points of Codex members and observers may login to the OCS and access the document open for comments by selecting “Enter” in the “My reviews” page, available after login to the system.

7. Contact Points of Codex members and observers’ organizations are requested to provide proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial, substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments or summary comments). Additional guidance on the OCS comment categories and types can be found in the OCS Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).

8. Other OCS resources, including the user manual and short guide, can also be found on the Codex website.

9. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.