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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)

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A. SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS 2024-2025

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. Codex member countries and observer organizations are reminded that following CCPR54 in 2023, Priority and Schedule lists were forwarded to the Commission and the Electronic Working Group (EWG) was re-established.
   • 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=396
   • Codex member countries and observer organizations who have not registered to 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 above.
   • Nominating members and observers are encouraged to closely review the worksheets to ensure accuracy.

3. The 2024 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 2025 PROPOSED SCHEDULE

4. To assist consideration of scheduling for 2025, the proposed 2025 CCPR Schedule of JMPR Evaluations is extracted from Tables 1 and 2A and appears in three worksheets with the prefix ‘2025’. Text in bold red has been included since CCPR54. Highlighted cells are awaiting further advice from sponsors.

5. The ‘2025 new cpd’ worksheet currently lists 6 compounds in 2025 new compound proposed schedule and 2 with RESERVE status. National registrations have been confirmed for 6 of the listed compounds.
   - No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.
   - Nominations must have provided evidence of national registration.

6. The ‘2025 new use – other’ worksheet lists 37 nominations for new use. It is likely that only the first 20 compounds can be evaluated in one year. Evidence of product labels / national registration has been provided for the top 20 compounds. The commodities for these 20 compounds are listed in upper case text.
   - No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.
   - Nominations must have provided evidence of national registration and priority should be given to the nominated compound with the oldest date stamp from the ‘2025 & beyond-newuse-other’ list.

7. The ‘2025 periodrev’ worksheet lists 6 compounds in the Proposed 2025 Schedule of Periodic Reviews and 3 compounds with RESERVE status. Many compounds listed are under the 4-year rule due to expire in 2025.

8. In addition, there may be compounds from the 2023 schedule of periodic reviews for which evaluation by JMPR did not proceed or was incomplete.

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 CCPR55.
   - Nominators / manufactures are encouraged to submit evidence of national registrations / product labels as soon as practicable.
   - Should more than 20 compound nominations on the 2025 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 2026 AND BEYOND – TABLE 1

10. The ‘Table 1 – 2026 & beyond - new cpds’ worksheet includes 6 nominations for future scheduling, 3 nominated for 2026, 2 for 2027 and one for 2028. Evidence of registration has not yet been provided for these 6 compounds.

11. The ‘Table 1 – 2026 & beyond - new use - other’ worksheet includes 14 nominations for future scheduling, 12 proposed for 2026, one for 2027 and one for 2028. Five compounds scheduled for 2026 have provided evidence of registration. The 17 compounds nominated for 2025 that are in excess of the top 20 compounds will need to be accommodated in this worksheet.

D. PRIORITY LISTS 2026 AND BEYOND – TABLE 2A

12. The ‘Table 2A’ worksheet includes priority lists for periodic reviews in 2026 and beyond. All the listed compounds meet the “15-year rule”.

E. TABLE 2B

13. The ‘Table 2B’ worksheet lists a large number of 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. REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. Nominating Codex members and observers are encouraged to closely review the worksheets to ensure accuracy.

18. 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 2023/26-PR):


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