Philippines’ position on the Report on Further Informal Consultations on Zilpaterol Hydrochloride by the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the Codex Alimentarius Commission

The Philippines would like to thank the CAC Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for the comprehensive information provided in the “Report on Further Informal Consultations on Zilpaterol Hydrochloride”.

The country maintains its current support for the establishment of MRL for Zilpaterol Hydrochloride as supported by the robustness of the JECFA risk assessment data.

We support the recommendations of the CVCs in the report that:

1. CCEXEC83 and CAC45 to note the content of the report, and that the CVCs will continue to engage with Members and Observers following the submission of the report and with the upcoming CAC45 and in fulfilment of the mandate from CAC44, to encourage and enable sustained effort to build consensus.

2. CCEXEC83 considers any recommendations it may provide to CAC45 in relation to the proposed draft MRLs for zilpaterol, in the context of its continuing critical review.