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Comments submitted by The Philippines

Agenda Item 6 – MRLs for veterinary drugs in food

General Comments:

Ivermectin Comments:

The Philippines supports advancing the proposed draft MRL for Ivermectin in the four (4) matrices (fat, kidney, liver and muscle) in sheep, pigs and goats in consideration of the new evaluation from JECFA 94 to Step 7. We believe that JECFA has provided the present and updated information in support of the established MRLs.

Nicarbazin Comments:

The Philippines supports the advancement of the proposed draft MRL for Nicarbazine in the four (4) matrices (kidney, liver, muscle and skin with fat) for chicken to Step 4.

Rationale:

Nicarbazin has been considered as one of the active ingredients that are regularly used in food animals and with this, it is important that scientific evaluation and analysis shall be considered in the establishment of MRLs. Advancing the proposal to Step 4 will allow Member States to provide comments, further inputs and additional data as necessary.

Agenda Item 7 – 7 Extrapolation of MRLs for veterinary drugs in foods to one or more species

General Comments:

The Philippines would like to thank the Electronic Working Group (EWG) as chaired by the European Union and co-chaired by Costa Rica for the discussion document on the following:

- proposed extrapolated MRLs for veterinary drugs to one or more species in accordance with the approach for the extrapolation of maximum residue limits for veterinary drugs to one or more species
- extrapolation of bovine milk MRL for ivermectin to goat and sheep milk and
- extrapolation of MRLs of veterinary drugs for edible offal

Rationale:

With the adoption of codex texts on the “*Risk Analysis Principles Applied by CCRVDF: Approach for the Extrapolation of MRLs for veterinary drugs to one or more species in CAC 44*”, in which the agreed principle approach is consistent with the three aspects of the extrapolation criteria: the grouping of species; authorized use and GVP established in the species to which extrapolation is proposed; and consideration for the need for analytical methods for monitoring purposes, we support the advancement of the discussion document to Step 4 on the above-mentioned topics. This would allow member countries to provide comments and further input upon discussion in the general session.