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SUMMARY OF INFORMAL DISCUSSION WITH MULTIPLE COUNTRIES ON ZILPATEROL HYDROCHLORIDE

(Prepared by the Coordinator for Europe)

The CCEURO Regional Coordinator held a virtual informal discussion with several countries on zilpaterol hydrochloride to provide input to the report on further informal consultations on zilpaterol hydrochloride for CCEXEC'83.

The virtual informal discussion was held in Russian.

The following Codex Members participated:

Belarus

Kazakhstan

Kyrgyz Republic

Moldova

Russian Federation

Turkmenistan

Uzbekistan,

and an observer organization, the Eurasian Economic Commission.

The above Codex Members do not support the adoption of the MRLs for zilpaterol hydrochloride as follows:

- · National legislation prohibits the use of growth promoters, including hormones;
- A position was expressed against the use of zilpaterol hydrochloride as an additive to feed healthy animals, unjustified use in agriculture due to the high likelihood of negative consequences for human health and the entry into the market of potentially hazardous meat products;
- The presented research data should be considered insufficiently substantiated. The adoption of the MRL for zilpaterol hydrochloride is considered premature until full and reliable scientific evidence of the daily tolerable dose safety is obtained.

The expediency of suspending further consideration of the issue and removing it from discussion until additional materials are received was noted.

The above Codex Members have requested additional webinars or virtual workshops to increase awareness and understanding of how the Declaration of Principles can be used.