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Egypt's comment on Zilpaterol Hydrochloride

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Egypt 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".

Currently, Egypt is in the process of conducting internal studies for designing the national framework of MRLs of Zilpaterol. Egypt notes that the standard was developed with a sound and favorable scientific assessment by JECFA. Egypt also notes that the standard fulfils the codex standard development requirements. Egypt would therefore not object to the progress of the proposed MRL standards for Zilpaterol in the Codex procedure and its adoption, with no prejudice to the position Egypt may take in the future regarding this substance, as part of Egypt's national food regulations.

Egypt suggests that the Chairperson should make every effort to reach agreement on the adoption or amendment of standards by consensus, so it is confusing when knows that the Chairperson is overruled by consensus. In addition, voting should be the last option chosen after all efforts as mentioned in the Measures to Facilitate Consensus.