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# CODEX COMMITTEE ON PESTICIDE RESIDUES

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# ESTABLISHMENT OF CODEX SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS OF PESTICIDES FOR EVALUATION/RE-EVALUATION BY JMPR

(Prepared by the Electronic Working Group on Priorities chaired by Australia)

# BACKGROUND

Based on email correspondence, advice from participants in the EWG on Priorities and responses to circular letter CL 2024/43-PR, the following is submitted for consideration by the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR). Responses to CL 2024/43-PR were received from Canada, Colombia, Egypt, Indonesia, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates (UAE).

# A. SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS

- 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".
- 2. Amendments to the CCPR Schedules and Priority Lists following comments received in reply to CL 2024/43-PR and since CCPR54 (2023), are shown in red bold text. Every effort is made to accurately record nominations lodged during this period. As this is a 'working' spreadsheet, amendments can be made without delay, should errors be identified.
  - Nominating members and observers are encouraged to closely review the worksheets to ensure accuracy.
  - The schedules and priority lists are finalised during the CCPR session. Members and observers may discuss proposed changes to the Tables as they currently appear in Appendix A with the Chair on Priorities immediately before or during the early stages of the session.
- 3. The 2024 CCPR Schedule of Evaluations by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Meetings on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) is closed but included in the worksheet 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'.
- 5. The '2025 new cpd' worksheet currently lists 6 compounds in 2025 new compound proposed schedule. National registrations have been confirmed for these 6 compounds. Two (2) additional compounds have been listed with RESERVE status and national registrations have been confirmed for one of these compounds.
  - No further nominations to this schedule can be accepted.
  - Nominations must have provided evidence of national registration.
- 6. The '2025 newuse 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 remaining 17 compounds are identified as 'reserve / defer to 2026?' in the worksheet. Nominations are prioritised based on evidence of registration and date stamp as well as on JMPR advice on capacity to conduct these evaluations. Subject to confirmation by JMPR, some previously nominated compounds may not be accommodated in JMPR 2024 and may be deferred to JMPR 2025.

- 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 newuse-other' worksheet.
- 7. The '2025-periodic review' worksheet lists six compounds in the proposed 2025 Schedule of Periodic Reviews and three compounds with RESERVE status. Many compounds listed in the '2025-periodic review' worksheet are under the 4-year rule. In addition, there may be compounds from the 2023 schedule of periodic reviews for which evaluation by JMPR did not proceed or was incomplete. This '2025-periodic review' list therefore may be modified based on further advice from JMPR and sponsors and the decisions of CCPR.
- 8. In response to CL 2024/43-PR, support was recieved to the proposed schedules and priority lists of pesticides. Only minor edits have been made to the worksheet since CL 2024/43-PR was published in March 2024.

# Advice Notes (New Use and Other Evaluations)

- 9. 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.
- 10. Should more than 20 compound nominations on the new use 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

- 11. The 'Table 1 2026 & beyond-new cpd' worksheet includes seven nominations for future scheduling. Three of the compounds have been requested for the 2026 Proposed Schedule for CCPR56 but two new compounds listed as 'reserve' on the 2025 list may be included on the 2026 list. Two remaining compounds are marked for 2027 and one compound each are marked for 2028 and 2030 on request by the nominators / manufacturers.
- 12. The 'Table 1 2026 & beyond-new use-other' worksheet includes fifteen nominations for 2026 but seventeen 'new use other' nominations listed as RESERVE on the 2025 list may carried over be included on the 2026 list. With the 2025 RESERVE nominations, the total of thirty-two nominations for 2026 far exceeds the limit of 20 (note the scheduling advice notes under paragraphs 9 and 10). A significant proportion of new use nominations are for only a single commodity only and nominators are encouraged to support efficient use of JMPR resources by optimising the number of new use commodities.

# D. PRIORITY LISTS OF PERIODIC REVIEWS 2026 AND BEYOND

13. The 'Table 2A' worksheet includes priority lists for periodic reviews in 2026, 2027 and 2028. All the listed compounds meet the "25-year rule". Advice from sponsors is required to clarify the status of support for those compounds and unsupported compounds may be referred to the electronic working group on Unsupported Compounds Without Public Health Concern Scheduled For Periodic Review.

# E. TABLE 2B

14. The 'Table 2B' worksheet lists approximately 60 compounds which meet the "15-year rule" but have not yet been listed for periodic review.

# F. PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS

15. 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. JMPR will assess the public health concern nominations and advise CCPR if a periodic review is supported. No public health concerns were identified by participants in the EWG on Priorities or in response to CL 2024/43-PR.

# H. FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

16. Nominating Codex members and observers are encouraged to closely review the worksheets to ensure accuracy. The intent of a few nominations requires further discussion with the member / observer. The Chair of the EWG on Priorities will discuss these nominations with the relevant parties at CCPR55 prior to finalising the Schedules for consideration of the Committee.

## I. NOMINATION OF COMPOUND FOR PARALLEL REVIEW

17. According to the report of CCPR52 (REP21/PR52, paragraph 226), as part of the CCPR Schedules and Priorities work there is an opportunity for data sponsors to nominate compounds for the parallel review pilot. Members and observers are invited to nominate a suitable compound.

## J. CODEX SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS OF PESTICIDES FOR EVALUATION BY JMPR

- 18. This item should be read in conjunction with Agenda Items concerning Unsupported Compounds and the National Registrations Database.
- 19. The Codex schedules and priority lists of pesticides for evaluation by JMPR can be accessed through the following link and it is available in English only:

https://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user\_upload/codexalimentarius/doc/CL/Appendix A\_SPL\_CCPR55.xlsx

# <u>APPENDIX I</u> Comments submitted in reply to CL 2024/43-PR (For information)

#### **ORIGINAL LANGUAGE ONLY**

#### CANADA

Canada's Comments on the Establishment of the CCPR Schedules and Priority Lists of Pesticides for Evaluation/Reevaluation by JMPR

#### **GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Canada would like to thank Australia for the preparation of the schedules and priority lists of pesticides as well as the work done to incorporate the requests from members and sponsors.

Canada is hopeful that the work on enhancement of operational procedures of CCPR and JMPR will assist in developing a manageable and efficient schedule of pesticides for evaluation and re-evaluation.

#### A. SCHEDULES AND PRIORITY LISTS 2024-2025

Canada understands that the 2024 CCPR Schedule of JMPR Evaluations is closed and provided for reference.

Canada offers the following comments to the revised Priority Lists of 2025-2026 and beyond.

## **B. FINALISING THE 2025 PROPOSED SCHEDULE**

Canada notes that the ratio of new compound evaluations and periodic reviews for 2025 is now equivalent (6:6) which seems to be feasible from a workload perspective for JMPR, however, not likely to address the backlog of periodic reviews in terms of the 15- and 25-year rules.

The list of new uses and other evaluations (37) appears quite extensive, and Canada supports the EWG's recommendation to limit the number to a maximum of 20 compounds in light of the limited FAO resources.

## C. PRIORITY LISTS 2026 AND BEYOND – TABLE 1

Canada recognizes that there are 6 new compound nominations for future scheduling, 3 nominated for 2026, 2 for 2027 and one for 2028. As per the "Risk Analysis Principles applied by the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues", Canada agrees that evidence of registration is required to confirm a place on the List.

Canada acknowledges that the number of nominated new uses and other evaluations (14) for future scheduling is within JMPR's capacity, however, priority must be granted to the 17 compounds nominated for 2025 that are in excess of the top 20 compounds, provided the authorized GAPs are available.

To reduce the number of new uses for the same compound being reviewed at different Meetings, Canada continues to encourage sponsors to maximize the number of uses requested within one nomination/petition, especially when the authorized GAP is available.

# D. PRIORITY LISTS 2026 AND BEYOND - TABLE 2A

Canada acknowledges the long list of compounds that meet the 15-year rule, but notes that most are awaiting advice on supported commodities. For the predictability of JMPR's future workload, Canada encourages all sponsors as well as member countries, via the National Registration Database, identify the uses that are most critical for consideration in the upcoming periodic reviews.

## E. TABLE 2B

The number of compounds on list 2B is quite extensive. Canada acknowledges the work being conducted on the National Registration Database and hopes that this initiative will encourage sponsors and member countries to provide advice on supporting data packages and/or indication of support that would allow a triage and prioritization of the listed compounds.

#### F. PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS

There are no compounds in the CCPR Pesticide List, or in Tables 2A and 2B, for which Canada would like to lodge a public health concern.

# COLOMBIA

Colombia appreciates the opportunity to submit comments to CL 20224/43 PR - ESTABLISHMENT OF TIMETABLES AND PRIORITY LISTS FOR PESTICIDES FOR EVALUATION OR RE-EVALUATION BY THE JOINT FAO/WHO MEETING ON PESTICIDE RESIDUES (JMPR).

## 2025 - NEW USES AND OTHER EVALUATIONS

PRIORITY	DATE STAMP	тох	RESIDUE	PRIORITISATION CRITERIA			RESIDUE	MEMBER/		COLOMBIAN
				REGISTERED	MRLS > LOQ	COMMODITIES	TRIALS	MANUFACTURER	COMMENTS	COMMENTS
2025 RESERVE	31/07/ 2023	Bifenthrin (178)	Bifenthrin (178)	Yes	Yes	CITRUS FRUITS <del>kiwi, clover, coffee,</del> <del>safflower, date</del>	Orange (17), <del>kiwi 95),</del> <del>clover (5), coffeen (8), safflower <del>(5), date</del> <del>(4)</del></del>	FMC	On 31 July 2023, USA advised of nomination from FMC. Registration in Brazil, USA. On 22 March 2024, manufacturer requested move to 2026 for kiwi, clover, coffee, safflower, date only.	Apoyo a la solicitud de la FMC. Para Colombia el cultivo de café es de importancia económica y la mólecula ws de interés al ser una alternativa de uso a la prohibición del clorpirifós.

#### EGYPT

Regarding CL 2024/43-PR related to 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).

In this regard, we would like to express our thanks for the effort exerted in the proposed schedules and priority lists and approve them.

#### INDONESIA

Indonesia wishes to express our appreciation to an electronic working group led by Australia for the preparation of the schedules and priority lists of pesticides for evaluation or re-evaluation by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Meetings on Pesticide Residues (JMPR).

In response to CL 2024/43-PR, Indonesia proposes the following comments for consideration:

B. FINALISING THE 2025 PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Paragraphs 5 and 6 of CL 2024/43-PR

Indonesia supports the proposed schedule 2025-new compounds for proquinazid; and 2025-new uses and other evaluations for glyphosate and beta-cyfluthrin.

Paragraph 7 of CL 2024/43-PR

Indonesia supports the proposed schedule for the 2025 periodic review for 2-phenylphenol, captan and dimethoate.

C. Priority Lists 2026 and Beyond: Table 1

Paragraphs 10 and 11 of CL 2024/43-PR

Indonesia supports the proposed schedule 2026-new uses and other evaluations for fenpicoxamid, chlorantraniliprole and buprofezin.

## SAUDI ARABIA

Kindly find below our comments on CL 2024/43-PR requesting comments on the schedules and priority lists for evaluation or re-evaluation by the Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Residues of Pesticides (JMPR).

Saudi Arabia's comment as follow:

Saudi Arabia support the proposed draft.

#### **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**

Please find below United Arab Emirates on CL 2024/43-PR on: "Request for comments on the establishment of schedules and priority lists of pesticides for evaluation / re-evaluation by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Meetings on Pesticide Residues (JMPR)" as follows:

"United Arab Emirates as a member of the EWG on CCPR Priorities and Lists for evaluation by JMPR, acknowledges the work achieved by the EWG and there is no further comments on 2024 Priority Lists that are currently closed. Concerning 2025 Schedules, United Arab Emirates has no nominations, but field trials are planned to be conducted soon for some pesticides that have no current CLXs. Upon the validation of the results, the data will be communicated to 2026 Priority List EWG".

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# APPENDIX II

# LIST OF PARTICIPANTS<sup>1</sup>

Chair: Karina Budd and James Deller, Australia

The EWG had more than 90 participants from the following members and observer organisations

Argentina	Malaysia		
Australia	Mexico		
Belgium	New Zealand		
Canada	Nigeria		
Chile	Paraguay		
China	Republic of Korea		
Costa Rica	Saudi Arabia		
CropLife International	Senegal		
Egypt	South Africa		
France	Sweden		
Germany	Switzerland		
Guatemala	Thailand		
India	Uganda		
Indonesia	United Kingdom		
Iran	United States of America		
Japan	UPL		

Please contact the focal point of the Member Country or Observer Organization for the details of the delegates. The list of Codex contact points for members and observers are available from the Codex website at: <u>http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/about-codex/members/en/</u> <u>http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/about-codex/observers/observers/obselist/en/</u>