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TO: Codex Contact Points
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FROM: Secretariat, Codex Alimentarius Commission,
Joint FAO/WHO Food Standards Programme

SUBJECT: **Request for comments on the proposed draft revision of the
Code of practice to minimize and contain foodborne antimicrobial resistance
(CXC 61-2005) (at Step 3)**

DEADLINE: **25 November 2018**

BACKGROUND

1. See CX/AMR 18/6/5¹.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

2. Codex members and observers are invite to submit:
- (i) general comments on the Code of Practice;
 - (ii) general comments on the points raised under paragraph 16 of the summary report of the Electronic Working Group (CX/AMR 18/6/5) namely:
 - a. *Definition of plants/crops*
 - b. *Plant/crop health professional*
 - c. *Antimicrobials vs. antibacterials*
 - d. *Medically important antimicrobials*
 - e. *General principles*
 - f. *Stepwise approach*
 - g. *Surveillance and monitoring programs*
 - h. *Alternatives to antimicrobials*
 - i. *Practices during production, processing, storage, transport, retail and distribution of food*
 - (iii) Specific technical comments on different sections of the Code of Practice.

GENERAL GUIDANCE FOR THE PROVISION OF COMMENTS

3. Comments should be submitted through the Codex Contact Points of Codex members and observers using the OCS.
4. Contact Points of Codex members and observers may login to the OCS and access the document open for comments by selecting "Enter" in the "My reviews" page, available after login to the system.
5. Contact Points of Codex members and observers organizations are requested to provide proposed changes and relevant comments/justifications on a specific paragraph (under the categories: editorial, substantive, technical and translation) and/or at the document level (general comments).
6. At the end of the commenting period, the Codex Secretariat will compile comments in a relevant working document using the system.
7. Additional guidance on the OCS can be found on the Codex website².
8. For questions on the OCS, please contact Codex-OCS@fao.org.

¹ All working documents for TFAMR6 are available at:

<http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings-reports/detail/en/?meeting=TFAMR&session=6>

² <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/ocs/en/>