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The UNITED ARAB EMIRATES would like to thank Committees of CCPR for their efforts.

The UNITED ARAB EMIRATES would like to highlight the comments on agenda item 6.

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MRLs for Pesticides in Food and Feed (at Steps 7 and 4)

General Comments:

Thiamethoxam (245): Reservation made on the maximum residue limit for the pesticide in rice commodities including husked and polished rice. The maximum residue limit for polished rice was deduced from husked rice using the processing factor it is therefore not based on risk assessment.

Dithiocarbamates (105) and Mancozeb (050): Reservation made on the maximum residue limit for the pesticide in husked rice and polished rice as the maximum residue limit for polished rice was deduced by extrapolation since no processing study is available and so no risk assessment.

Flutriafol (248): Reservation on the maximum residue limit for the pesticide in rice as the proposed draft MRL is based on an Italian GAP which is no longer supported. United Arab Emirates recommends CCPR to retain the draft MRL until its members could provide other GAPs supporting the proposed MRLs or proposing new MRLs.

Mefentrifluconazole (320): Reservation made on the maximum residue limit for the pesticide in husked rice. The maximum residue limit for polished rice will be deduced from husked rice using the processing factor it is therefore not based on risk assessment.

Bifenthrin (178): Reservation to the advancement of the proposed draft MRLs since upon information provided to the JMPR it was concluded that the estimated acute dietary exposure to residues of bifenthrin for the consumption of some commodities may present a public health concern.

Chlorpyrifos (17) and Chlorpyrifos methyl (90): United Arab Emirates supports the proposed withdrawal of MRL values for this pesticide in all products based on incomplete toxicity studies.

Diazinon (22): United Arab Emirates supports the proposed withdrawal of the MRLs for all commodities noting that the JMPR was unable to conclude on a residue definition for dietary risk assessment for plants and a residue definition for compliance and risk assessment for animal commodities.

Quintozene (64): United Arab Emirates supports the proposed withdrawal of the MRLs for all commodities noting that the JMPR was unable to conclude on a residue definition for dietary risk assessment for plants and a residue definition for compliance and risk assessment for animal commodities.

Methodation (51): United Arab Emirates supports the proposed withdrawal of the MRLs for all commodities noting that the JMPR was unable to conclude on a residue definition for dietary risk assessment for plants and a residue definition for compliance and risk assessment for animal commodities.

United Arab Emirates appreciates the opportunity offered to submit this Conference Room Document, looking forward to discussing the Intermediate draft at the upcoming plenary session of the Commission.