European Community Comments for the

CODEX COMMITTEE ON RESIDUES OF VETERINARY DRUGS IN FOODS

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Agenda item 4: Risk Analysis Principles and Methodologies of the Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods

The reference for discussion is the paper “Risk analysis in the Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods” presented by France for the last CCRDVF meeting (Appendix IX of ALINORM 99/31). It is a good basis to start this discussion. However, like the issue, it is also very complex. In summary it asks for a reconsideration of the evaluation procedure and a re-distribution of the roles and goals of JECFA and CCRDVF. This will not be possible in a highly formal meeting like CCRDVF.

Therefore, the European Community proposes to establish a breakout group of Members of CCRDVF with the mandate to prepare a concrete proposal on how this is to be done. The European Community would like to take up this initiative.