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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved: United Kingdom

- **2. Agency responsible:** The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and The Health and Safety Executive
- 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): It is proposed to set all the GB Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) for pencycuron at the Limit Of Quantification. The full list of MRLs can be seen on page 36 of the HSE's draft Reasoned Opinion assessment.

For reference, the full list of GB commodity codes is set out in Part 1 of the GB pesticides Maximum Residue Level Statutory Register – see <u>link</u>).

4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:

[X] All trading partners

[] Specific regions or countries:

- 5. Title of the notified document: Proposed GB Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) for pencycuron amending the GB MRL Statutory Register. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 19 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2023/SPS/GBR/23_13124_00 e.pdf
- 6. **Description of content:** The document outlines the proposed MRLs for pencycuron following a review of the relevant MRLs in Great Britain (GB) by the Health and Safety Executive. The draft Reasoned Opinion, produced by the Health and Safety Executive, on the review of the MRLs is available at the following link: <u>MRL reviews (hse.gov.uk)</u>

The approval of the active substance pencycuron expired in GB in May 2021. An application to renew the approval was not submitted.

All MRLs are being lowered to the Limit Of Quantification as a risks of a harmful effect on human health cannot be excluded and therefore the appropriate level of protection has not been met.

- 7. Objective and rationale: [X] food safety, [] animal health, [] plant protection, [] protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [] protect territory from other damage from pests.
- 8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:
 - [] Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):
 - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):
 - [] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):
 - [X] None

Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?

[]Yes []No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: There are no CXLs for pencycuron.

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (*dd/mm/yy*): 18 February 2024

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 18 February 2024

11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (*dd/mm/yy*):

[] Trade facilitating measure

12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (*dd/mm/yy*): 24 December 2023

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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