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List of Participants

MEMBERS

Prof. P. Jensen (chairman)

Prof. D. Broom (first vice chair)

Dr. R. Dantzer

Dr. P. Le Neindre

Dr. D. Morton

Prof. M. Verga

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Dr. H. Blokhuis

COMMISSION

Dr. E. Thévenard

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1. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted as proposed.

2. Adoption of the minutes of the previous meeting of the subcommittee

The summary record of the meeting of the sub committee of 26 March 2001 and of 03 April 2001 were adopted with minor amendments.

3. Declarations of interest

No member reported any conflicts of interest relating to the items under discussion.

4. Discussion and possible approval of a draft report on animal welfare aspects of animals kept for fur production

The rapporteur presented the draft. Due to the size of the document, in order to make the best use of this one-day meeting, the sub-committee went through the different parts and passed to the rapporteur the main remarks. The rapporteur will propose a revised documents in the light of the comments made, which will be circulated in advance of the next meeting to allow due consideration by the other members and a more thorough discussion. In order to possibly address the whole document, the next meeting will be organised over two days, which are fixed to 24 and 25 September.

5. Miscellaneous

5.1. Progress reports on other questions

- The Working Group on Welfare of animals during transport starts working.
 The first meeting is organised.
- The SSC Working group on harmonisation of risk assessment continues its work. The Sub-committee welcomed the approach proposed.

5.2. New question and creation of a working group

A question on the welfare of primates was discussed. A background document was provided by the Commission. The sub-committee proposed names of expert to compose the ad hoc working group. The rapporteur will contact them.