



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

HEALTH & CONSUMER PROTECTION DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Directorate C - Scientific Opinions

C2 - Management of scientific committees; scientific co-operation and networks

**SUMMARY RECORD
OF THE SCVPH PLENARY MEETING
OF 20-21 JUNE 2001**

(APPROVED ON 19 SEPTEMBER 2001)

1. WELCOME, APOLOGIES, DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

The Chairman welcomed the members of the Committee.

For apologies and absences, see the attached list of presence.

No conflict of interests with the items proposed for discussion in the agenda were declared.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 2-3 MAY 2000

The proposed minutes were adopted.

4. INFORMATION TO THE COMMITTEE ON POSSIBLE NEW QUESTIONS –

The secretariat informed the Committee that, following the previous SCVPH meeting, a working group on “Criteria for evaluation of detection methods for Salmonella” has been set up. The selected members of the Working Group were presented and endorsed by the Committee.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF A SCIENTIFIC OPINION CONCERNING :

5.1. Working Group on Identification of species and categories.

The rapporteur presented the draft document prepared by the Working Group. The document was discussed in detail and commented upon. Concerning the main remarks, the document was amended accordingly during the plenary. It was suggested to change the title of the document in order to better reflect the content. The document was re-discussed and finally adopted unanimously, subject to editorial changes to be made accordingly. It was also agreed to omit the annex and to include the

relevant part of it within the text. The Chairman asked a member of the group to revise this part.

5.2. Working Group on *Vibrio vulnificus* and *Vibrio parahaemolyticus* in molluscs.

The draft report was presented to the Committee. Several amendments were suggested. The discussion focused particularly on the conclusions and recommendations. Although subjected to revision and re-discussion during the meeting, there was no agreement reached by the Committee. Following the discussion and the comments received, it was agreed that the body of the draft report is accepted but the final part of the document still need to be re-discussed at the next plenary meeting (September). The Members of the Committee were invited to send their observations/proposals in writing to the rapporteur of the working group within one week time. It was also agreed that the rapporteur should amend the document accordingly and send it to the working group for comments. One of the main points of discussion was related to one of the request of the mandate for setting up criteria.

The document including requested amendments, could be adopted at the next plenary.

5.3. Working Group on the cleaning and disinfection of knives in the meat industry

The rapporteur presented the draft report, the members of the Committee commented on it. The document was discussed in details and particular attention was given to the conclusions and recommendations. The document was revised and updated accordingly and finally adopted unanimously subject to small editorial changes to be made by the rapporteur and the secretariat.

6. PROGRESS REPORT OF THE:

6.1. Working Group on the review of the report of the Scientific Veterinary Committee(Sc. V. C.) on “*Trichinella* free areas” (report of 1996) and reliability of *Trichinella* detection methods

The Chairman of the Committee, who chaired that Working Group meeting briefed the Committee on the outcome of the discussion. The Committee welcomed the new approach of the document and suggested further improvement. A new working group meeting is planned and a draft-revised version of the document is expected to be presented at the next plenary meeting.

6.2. Working Group on SRSV-NLVs

The Chairman of the group briefed the Committee about the outcome of the first working group meeting and the progress made. The contribution from the first meeting are expected by the day after the plenary and, a first

draft document will be send to the member of the working group. The second working group meeting is scheduled for next week.

7. FEED-BACK BY THE CHAIRMAN ON SUBJECTS DISCUSSED IN THE SSC WHICH ARE OF INTEREST TO THE COMMITTEE

None.

8. FEED-BACK BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE HAVING ATTENDED WORKING GROUP MEETINGS OF OTHER SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES

None

9. MISCELLANEOUS

None

Annex I: Attendance

Members

Prof. J. Fink-Gremmels (chairman),
Prof. A. Johnston (I vice-chairman),
Prof. D. Vuitton (II vice-chairman),
Prof. J. Brugere-Picoux,
Dr. P. Colin,
Dr. P. Gerner-Smidt,
Prof. R. Fries,
Dr. H. Kruse,
Prof. A. Macr•,
Dr. R. Maijala,
Prof. A. Mantis,
Prof. C. Martinez Bordenave-Gassedat,
Dr. W. Pfau,
Dr. T. Roberts,
Prof. F. Smulders,
Dr. I. Vågsholm,
Prof. J. Van Hoof

Apologies

Dr. A. J. Baars,
Prof. V. Caporale
Prof. J. Fink-Gremmels (20 June afternoon)
Prof. A. Johnston (21 June)

Absent

None

COMMISSION

Mrs R. Diez (SANCO/C3),
Mrs M. Marini (SANCO/C3),
Mr B. Verleysen (SANCO/C3).