

RESOLUTION No. XXVI

**Animal Production Food Safety**

CONSIDERING THAT

1. The permanent Working Group on Animal Production Food Safety, established by the Director General in 2002, held its sixth meeting in November 2006 and drafted a work programme for 2007.
2. The Working Group has developed various texts aimed at minimizing food safety risks associated with hazards in animal production, including a “Guide on Good Farming Practices” which will be further developed in cooperation with FAO, WHO and Codex.
3. The Working Group reviewed the work of the *ad hoc* Group on Animal Feeding, which produced draft Guidelines for the Control of Hazards of Animal Health and Public Health Importance in Animal Feed.
4. The Working Group reviewed the work of the *ad hoc* Group on Salmonellosis, which produced draft Guidelines on the Detection, Control and Prevention of *Salmonella* Enteritidis and *S. Typhimurium* in Poultry Producing Eggs for Human Consumption.
5. The Working Group prepared an appendix to the *Terrestrial Code* on Guidelines for the Control of Biological Hazards of Animal Health and Public Health Importance through Ante- and Post-Mortem Meat Inspection, to provide guidance to Veterinary Services.
6. The Working Group supported the development of an appendix to the *Terrestrial Code* on General Principles for Identification and Traceability of Live Animals.
7. The OIE and the Codex Alimentarius Commission have continued to work together to ensure that standards relevant to animal production food safety developed by either party are consistent and complementary and take a ‘whole food chain’ approach to food safety.
8. The work on animal production food safety benefits from cooperation with FAO and WHO which provide additional expert advice and expertise in food safety, zoonoses and related issues.

THE COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDS THAT

1. The Director General retain the Working Group on Animal Production Food Safety to advise him and the relevant Specialist Commissions on issues relevant to animal production food safety.
2. The participation of FAO and WHO experts as members of this Working Group be continued to further strengthen the collaboration between OIE and Codex.

3. The 2007 work programme prepared by the Working Group guide the OIE's activities on animal production food safety during the next 12 months, and the Working Group be provided with resources needed to address the identified priorities.
  4. Of the priorities listed in the work programme, the Working Group give special attention to its work on the development of texts on animal identification and traceability, animal feeding and salmonellosis for consideration by the International Committee.
  5. The OIE develop a document to clarify how the Veterinary Services should cooperate with other authorities in the food chain continuum to ensure the protection of both animal and public health.
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