COMMITTEE ON TOXICITY OF CHEMICALS IN FOOD, CONSUMER PRODUCTS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

DRAFT COT STATEMENT ON FSA-FUNDED RESEARCH AND OTHER PROGRESS ON MIXTURES OF PESTICIDES AND SIMILAR SUBSTANCES

1. The Committee considered the final reports of 17 research projects funded by the Food Standards Agency (FSA) at its 1 February 2011 meeting, in addition to other actions which addressed recommendations made in the Committee's 2002 report on Risk Assessment of Mixtures of Pesticide Residues and Similar Substances. The Committee was provided with a paper for information on the new ACROPOLIS (Aggregate and Cumulative Risk of Pesticides: an On-Line Integrated Strategy) prior to its meeting on 22 March. The Committee considered further information on the biomarkers of exposure developed by the research projects, and on two projects, T10011 and T10014, at its meeting on 28 June. Subsequent to the June meeting two Members provided written critiques of the reports for T10011 and T10014.

2. A Statement has been drafted based on the COT discussions and comments received and is included in Annex A.

3. In considering the draft Statement, Members will wish to be aware that the Advisory Committee on Pesticides (ACP) discussed project report T10005 (Estimation of human uptake of pesticides and veterinary medicines from all potential exposure pathways and assessment of the impact within the EU of implementing COT regulatory recommendations on the risk assessment of mixtures of pesticides and similar substance) at its meeting on 5 July. The ACP produced a short statement on the report, which is attached in Annex B. This is referenced in the draft COT Statement.

Questions on which the views of the Committee are sought

Members are invited to comment on the draft COT Statement at Annex
A.

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Draft COT Statement on FSA-funded research and other progress on mixtures of pesticides and similar substances

The draft Statement in this Annex contains details of the results of four projects which have been considered by the COT prior to publication. This Annex will be made publicly available once the reports are published.

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ACP Statement on research report "Estimation of human intake of pesticides from all potential pathways" (IOM Report TM/08/01).

This is available at: <u>http://www.pesticides.gov.uk/uploadedfiles/Web_Assets/ACP/Statement_on_I_OM_Researchvfinal.pdf</u>

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