ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE MICROBIOLOGICAL SAFETY OF FOOD

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 54th MEETING

The attached schedule records action taken on matters arising from the Committee's fifty-fourth meeting held on 1 December 2004.

Secretariat March 2005

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RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN ON MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH MEETING (ACM/MIN/54)

ACM/MIN/54	Topic and action required	Action taken
paragraph		
4.1	Minutes of 54th meeting Secretariat to arrange for approved minutes to be posted on website.	Required action taken by Secretariat in December 2004.
	Second Report on Campylobacter	
6.1	Seek permission from FSA Chairman to publish the Report.	 Permission was obtained in January 2005. The Report is currently being printed.
6.4	Draft introduction for consultation response document and circulate to Members for clearance.	 The introduction was cleared in correspondence in December. Consultation response published on FSA website in January 2005.
	Egg advice	
7.3	• Professor Hunter to conduct a literature search to try to identify which specific immunological conditions were associated with an increased risk of infection with <i>Salmonella</i> .	Work in progress.
7.5	 Circulate a copy of the dossier for the Standing Committee on Food Chain and Animal Health to Members. 	 Circulated to Members in March.
7.6		
	• FSA to provide further briefing on the role and problems associated with non-UK eggs.	 Item deferred to June meeting.
8.4	FSA Consultation on guidelines for vacuum-packaged and modified atmosphere packaged foods FSA to commission independent review of scientific evidence and Members to have sight of the scope of the review prior to being commissioned.	Work in progress.
11.3	Newly-emerging pathogens – message board Secretariat to put mechanism in place to alert Members of new postings.	Secretariat to check the board daily and inform Members by e-mail of new discussion threads.

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12.1	Annual Report Secretariat to complete the tables and circulate final draft of the report.	Circulated to Members for comment in March.
14.1	 Any other business Dr Cook to produce a note to outline current FSA action on advice on making up infant formula bottles and guidance on health eating for infants. 	progressed with
	• Mr Gayford to provide <i>Salmonella</i> figures for the period covering Food and Mouth Disease outbreak by correspondence.	 Work in progress.