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**Invitation to the Twenty-seventh Session of the
CODEX COMMITTEE ON RESIDUES OF VETERINARY DRUGS IN FOODS
Omaha, Nebraska, United States of America**

21-25 October 2024

Reply requested by 21 September 2024

The Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO) have the honour of extending an invitation to attend the above session, which will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Omaha Downtown, Omaha, Nebraska, United States of America, at the kind invitation of the Government of the United States of America. The opening session will begin at 09.00 on Monday, 21 October 2024.

The Physical Working Group on the Priority List meeting will be convened on Sunday, 20 October 2024, and held at the same venue.

The session is being convened under the authority of the Codex Alimentarius Commission and is open to Member Nations and Associate Members of both Organizations and to Observers. Member Nations and Associate Members of both Organizations that are not Codex Alimentarius Commission Members may attend as Observers. Expenses incurred in connection with attendance at sessions of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies and travel of delegations of the Members of the Commission and of the Observers shall be borne by the governments or organizations concerned.

The session, including the Physical Working Group on the Priority List meeting, will be conducted in English, French, and Spanish. The provisional agenda is enclosed.

As soon as they are available, further documents and additional logistical details will be available for downloading on the committee meeting's webpage: <https://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/en/>.

The Directors-General of FAO and WHO would appreciate being informed by **21 September 2024** of the names, official titles, and addresses of the Representatives or Observers designated to attend.

Codex Contact Points and international organizations with observer status with the Codex Alimentarius Commission are kindly requested to use the online registration system by accessing the following link: <http://www.codexalimentarius.org/login>. A username and password for the online registration have been provided to all Codex Members and Observers. If the username and password have not been received, please contact codex@fao.org.

Participants are advised to enquire at the nearest Embassy or Consulate of the United States of America at least 30 days before the start of the meeting to determine whether visas or other documents are required to enter the country. The information note for the participants will include additional information on procedures to obtain entry visas to the United States of America.

This invitation is sent to addressees of invited countries in the official mailing lists of FAO and WHO, as follows:

For ACTION, as appropriate:

Ministries of Foreign Affairs,
Ministries of Agriculture, or
Ministries of Health, as appropriate
Central Contact Points for FAO/WHO
Codex Alimentarius Commission matters

For INFORMATION:

FAO Regional and Subregional Offices
FAO Liaison Offices
FAO Representatives
WHO Regional Offices
WHO Representatives
Permanent Missions to the UN Office at
Geneva or to the Specialized Agencies
Permanent Representations to FAO/Embassies in Rome

This invitation is also being sent to Heads of selected international organizations.