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Subject: Biological Qualifier

Agenda item 6c

The WHO INN Expert Group launched a public consultation on a proposal for a Biological Qualifier (BQ) with a deadline for comments on 19 September 2014 (http://www.who.int/medicines/services/inn/bq_innproposal201407.pdf).

The Commission informed the Pharmaceutical Committee of this consultation.

The Commission did not submit a response to the consultation.

The next meeting of the WHO INN Expert Group takes place 14-16 October 2014 and it is anticipated that a discussion on the comments received on the BQ scheme will take place at the meeting.

Only oral information on discussion at the WHO INN Expert Group will be given at the 73rd meeting of the Pharmaceutical Committee due to the proximity of the two meetings.

Action to be taken:

For information.