

EUROPEAN COMMISSION HEALTH AND CONSUMERS DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Public Health and Risk Assessment Risk assessment

Scientific Committee on Consumers Safety - SCCS

1st meeting of the Working Group on Food Imitating Products, 15 December 2009

Minutes

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chairman of the Working Group welcomed the participants. No apologies were received. This was a brief meeting in order to decide and coordinate the structure of the work of the group in this issue.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The draft agenda (annex 1) was adopted with no modifications.

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

No declaration of interests in relation to the items of the agenda was made.

4. DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT MANDATE

4.1. Terms of Reference (ToR)

The terms of reference were discussed and clarifications were provided by the requesting services. Some issues would need to be discussed in more details at the next meeting.

4.2. Documentation from Call for Information / identify data gaps

The Secretariat presented to the group the information received by the Call for information, as well as from other sources in relation to this mandate. The Chair will draft a table summarising the information. Tasks will be allocated accordingly to members.

4.3. External experts

The need of external expertise was briefly discussed. It was decided that this issue will be raised in following meetings, after considering the available information presented to the group.

4.4. Structure of the opinion

The structure of the opinion will be discussed in the next meeting.

4.5. Distribution of tasks

Members should comment on the table, to be made by the Chair of the WG as described under point 4.2.

4.6. Time schedule

The WG discussed future meeting dates. These will be confirmed by the Secretariat via an official invitation in due time.

4.7. Practical issues

The CIRCA database was presented to the group. The structure of the folders in this database might need to be changed in order to serve better the needs of this WG.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

Annex 1

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