

## Scientific Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain

### Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Working Group on the Gossypol in whole cotton seed

**Held by WEB-conference, 25 April 2017**

**(Agreed on 02 May 2017)**

#### **Participants**

- **Working Group Members:**

Jan Alexander

Bruce Cottrill

- **Hearing Experts:**

Not Applicable

- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:**

Frans Verstraete (European Commission)

- **EFSA:**

Biological hazards and contaminants Unit: Karen Mackay

- **Others:**

Not Applicable

#### **1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The participants were welcomed.

#### **2. Adoption of agenda**

The agenda was adopted without changes.

### **3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members**

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes<sup>1</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest<sup>2</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

### **4. Agreement of the minutes of the previous Working Group meeting**

The minutes of the 1st Working Group meeting were agreed on 17 February 2017.

### **5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion**

#### **5.1. Draft opinion on the presence of free gossypol in whole cotton seed (EFSA-Q-2016-00708)<sup>3</sup>**

The working group discussed the draft statement; further updates were suggested.

### **6. Any Other Business**

Not Applicable

### **7. Next meeting**

To be confirmed.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencypolicy.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2016-00708>

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Held by WEB-conference, 10 February 2017

(Agreed on 17 February 2017)

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Bruce Cottrill

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### **5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion**

#### **5.1. Draft opinion on the presence of free gossypol in whole cotton seed (EFSA-Q-2016-00708)<sup>3</sup>**

The working group discussed the background and terms of reference of the mandate, together with the information provided by the delegation of Spain. The structure of the draft statement was agreed and tasks were allocated.

### **6. Any Other Business**

Not Applicable

### **7. Next meeting**

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