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To Interested Parties:

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Dear Colleagues

European Commission discussion paper on health claims on botanicals used in foods.

You will be aware that the assessment of health claims for botanicals by the European Food Safety Authority was put on hold by the European Commission. During this pause, the Commission has carried out an internal reflection and consultations on the approach for assessment of health claims for botanicals.

The Commission is now seeking Member States' views through a series of questions within the attached discussion paper.

The Commission has indicated that these questions will be discussed at a working group meeting in September (a date has not been confirmed). I would therefore be grateful for your comments on these questions and any other issues you may wish to raise by Friday 31 August.

Yours faithfully,

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