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Directorate H — Sustainability and Quality of Agriculture and Rural Development **H.3. Organic farming**

Expert Group for Technical Advice on Organic Production (EGTOP) Sub-group on plant protection products

MEETING OF 5-6 OCTOBER 2011

Summary minutes

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

After a welcome speech and introduction by the Head of the Secretariat, the Chair of the Subgroup took over.

When asked to declare interests with regard to matters on the agenda none of the members provided additional information to the interests already declared before the meeting. In accordance with Chapter 5.1.2 of the Rules of procedure of the Group, two experts were allowed full participation with the exception of the specific discussion on the second day of the meeting on the conclusions concerning 3 substances.

All the members signed a declaration of confidentiality and a declaration of commitment.

The Agenda was then adopted as proposed (ANNEX I).

2. WORKING METHOD, TERMS OF REFERENCE, REPORT

The Secretariat gave an overview of the working procedures of the Group and referred the experts to the internet site www.organic-farming.europa.eu for more information.

3. DISCUSSION OF MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

All the items to be included in the terms of reference, apart from the MS dossier template and some additional issues, were discussed on the first day. During the second day, the Sub-group concluded the discussions on matters to be included in the terms of reference and reached a final conclusion on each topic, by consensus. The final report will be adopted by the Group in plenary session and published on the internet site www.organic-farming.europa.eu.

ANNEX I

3. Any other business

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| 1. | Introduction and adoption of the agenda: | 10:00 – 10:30 |
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| | Declaration of interests Declaration of Confidentiality in respect of this meeting Declaration of commitment | ng |
| 2. | Reports and working methods: | 10:30 – 10:45 |
| | • Procedures | |
| | • Structure and content of reports | |
| | • Terms of reference | |

4. Discussion of matters to be included in the terms of reference: 11 - 13

5. Discussion of matters to be included in the terms of reference: 14:15-17:30

10:45 - 11

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| 4. | Issuing of the draft report: | 8:30 – 12:45 |
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| 5. | Issuing of the draft report: | 13:30 – 16:00 |
| 6. | Summary | 16:00 – 16:15 |