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Medicines Act - Veterinary Products Committee

Veterinary Products Committee minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20 July and Thursday 21 July 1988, at the DHSS Conference Room 63/64, Hannibal House, Elephant and Castle, London.

Chairman - Professor Armour

<u>Members</u>	<u>Officials</u>
Prof Biggs	Dr Adams
Prof Blain	Mr Atkinson
Prof Brown	Mr Cameron
Mr Collins	Mr Cartwright
Prof Hobbiger	Mr Cruickshank
Dr Jacobs	Dr Diggle
Miss Howe	Dr Fisher
Prof Lamming	Mrs Hardisty
Dr Lees	Mr Hartley
Prof Linton	Mr Hopkinson
Dr Peters	Dr Hussaini
Dr Russell	Dr Little
Prof Smith	Ms Lowe
	Mr O'Brien
	Mr Renshaw
	Miss Searle
	Miss Tufnell
	Mr Treves-Brown
	Mr Watson
	Mr Wood

Mr Kidd - Secretary

Mr Muriel - Administrative Secretary
Mr Evans - Technical Secretary

The Chairman reminded members and officials that all papers and discussions of the Committee are confidential. No information relating to the proceedings of the Committee or papers presented to the Committee may be divulged to any third party.

~~Before the business of Thursday's meeting began the Chairman addressed the Committee on recent reports that had appeared in the press concerning Veterinary Products Committee advice on BST.~~

~~A view was expressed within the Committee that a full and open enquiry on the matter should take place. Mr A Cruickshank (Under Secretary, Animal Health, MAFF) stated that a final decision on whether an enquiry should be held had not finally been taken. Members and officials were reminded that disclosure of information was an offence under section 118 of the Medicines Act 1968.~~

§§N ITEM 18

§§N TITLE

ETI- HORMONE REVIEW VPC(88)108
EVLA-8575 EDR= 2539

REV 18.1 The Committee were provided with VPC(88)108 containing a list of
OP veterinary products that would be included in the review and were
asked to comment on and agree guidance notes to be sent to
applicants for this review.

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§§N MIN 18.2 Officials pointed out to members that there were some anomalies in
the list of products at Appendix A of VPC(88)108. Officials would
check the list for correctness prior to issue of the review call-up
letters to licence holders.

§§N RECOM 18.3 It was agreed that members should provide their written comments on
Appendix B of VPC(88)108, (the proposed guidance notes to be sent
to applicants for this review) to the Medicines Unit within one
month. It was also agreed that inclusion of guidance to applicants
on the requirements for carcinogenicity and mutagenicity data
should be considered. A suggested approach would be to append the
EC recommendations to the hormone review guidelines.

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