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Resolution on Food and Dietary Supplements

The TACD calls upon the governments of the European Union and the United States to require that

- (a) herbal and other ingredients¹ (in addition to vitamins and minerals)² promoted as food supplements or dietary supplements³ be subject to pre-market safety assessments, based on a priority list established by government authorities, or appear on a positive list of substances that are in compliance with applicable safety, purity and labeling requirements;
- (b) supplement labels and advertising should use only authorized health-related claims if such claims are made;
- (c) supplements should be produced and packaged in accordance with strict Good Manufacturing Practices; and,
- (d) labels should contain appropriate information, including, but not limited to, specific requirements relating to dosage, active ingredients, health warnings, etc.

¹ This resolution does not apply to herbal and other substances that are regulated as drugs. Compliance with drug laws and regulations supercede the requirements specified in this resolution.

² In the EU, vitamins and minerals are regulated pursuant to Directive 2002/46/EC, 10 June 2002. In the United States, vitamins and minerals are regulated pursuant to the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act. This resolution only addresses the regulation of herbal and other ingredients contained in products that are sold in the form of food or dietary supplements.

³ In the EU, such products are referred to as food supplements. In the US, such products are referred to as dietary supplements.