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NEW PLANT VARIETIES

COUNCIL

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DRAFT REPORT

Accession of Sweden

1. Mr. L.J. Smith (President of the UPOV Council), who acted as Chairman of the session, referred to the resolution adopted by the Consultative Working Committee of the Council at its fourth meeting in May 1971, and to the formal request for accession to the Convention submitted by the Government of Sweden. He expressed the view that the matter of the accession of Sweden had already been sufficiently examined, that no question of principle remained to be discussed, and that there was therefore no need for the Swedish Delegation to withdraw.
2. This opinion was shared by the meeting.
3. Thereupon the Chairman asked that the matter be put to the vote, and the Council declared itself unanimously in favor of the accession of Sweden to the Convention.
4. The Chairman welcomed the Swedish delegates.

5. Professor H. Esbo (Head of the Swedish Delegation) thanked the Chairman for his words of welcome and UPOV for the generous attitude adopted by it during the period of Sweden's participation in an observer capacity. He announced that his country had created a new body, the National Plant Variety Board, which would soon be publishing its periodical review, and said that the members of the Swedish Delegation would cooperate loyally within UPOV.

6. The Vice Secretary General pointed out that the present translation of the new Swedish law on the protection of breeders' rights should be regarded as a provisional text, and that the final translation would be sent to the representatives of member States in due course.

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