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INTERNATIONAL UNION
FOR THE PROTECTION OF
NEW PLANT VARIETIES

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CONTRIBUTIONS BY MEMBER STATES**Report by the Secretary General**

1. At its fourth meeting (Geneva, May 6 and 7, 1971), the Consultative Working Committee agreed to submit to the Council a Draft Resolution contained in the Annex to document UPOV/C/V/16.
2. The Draft Resolution contains decisions regarding:
 - (i) a Conference for the revision of the Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants to take place in 1972 (see paragraph 1 of the Draft Resolution);
 - (ii) the subjects of the revision, these subjects being mainly connected with contributions by member States and related problems (see paragraph 2);
 - (iii) the adoption of the principle of voluntary contributions by some member States pending the entry into force of the revised text (see paragraph 3);

(iv) the specification of the voluntary contributions proposed to the said States (see paragraphs 4 and 5), namely (in percentages of their ordinary contributions):

Netherlands: 100%

Denmark: 50%

Sweden: 50%, if it becomes a member of UPOV and chooses Class III of the present contribution system.

3. In a letter dated July 21, 1971, the Head of the Netherlands Delegation informed the Secretary General that under certain conditions the Netherlands was willing to increase its contribution as from 1972. The letter is attached to this report as an Annex.

4. It is to be expected that Denmark will be willing to increase--within certain limits--its contribution for 1972 as proposed in the Draft Resolution.

5. The Council is invited to take note of the above.

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Annex follows/

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UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF A LETTER DATED
JULY 21, 1971, FROM THE HEAD OF THE DELEGATION OF
THE NETHERLANDS, MR. A. DE ZEEUW (MINISTRY OF
AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES) TO UPOV

With reference to the discussions that have taken place in the Consultative Committee and in reply to your letter of May 28, this will inform you that the Netherlands is willing to fix its participation in the budget for 1972 at two units with the reservation that this participation will in no case exceed 50,000 guilders and that, in addition, Denmark and Sweden undertake to contribute 1.5 units.

Accordingly, it would be appropriate to add in your Draft Resolution the above-mentioned maximum of 50,000 guilders.

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