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VARIETY DENOMINATIONS

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The Annex to this document contains a presentation made by Argentina on variety denominations, at the seventy-second session of the Administrative and Legal Committee (CAJ).

[Annex follows]

## **Technical Committee on Denominations**

### **National Institute of Seeds**

#### **Starting its work in 2012**

Dealing with issues related to the problems arising from the registration of the denominations of the varieties in the National List and PVP Records of the Institute.

#### **The Committee Studied UPOV" (UPOV/INF/12/4)**

. The Committee has reached to the conclusion that it is a common practice in our country to include the breeders' brand name in the name of the variety, either the name of the company, the brand or their initials.

. The breeder accepts therefore that the name becomes the generic designation of the material, even after the expiration of the title.

.The criteria for the examination of denominations shall apply regardless of species, variety type or form of marketing of varieties and whether the varieties are registered in the National List (RNC) and / or in the PVP Record (RNPC) that they will be marketed or not.

.Denomination changes will not be accepted for varieties which propagating material has been marketed

.It was concluded that the fact that there have been registered varieties with names composed solely of figures imply an "established practice " independently of the number of records that exist and the species in which they have been accepted.

.If the variety incorporates technology and its allowed to mention it in the variety denomination it must be mentioned in every denomination with that technology or otherwise its not supported the reference in any case.

.Argentina requested that the information material about denominations should be revised in the part that mentioned the case in wich the variety is derived from another variety or related to, when, in fact , has no relation at all.

. It has not been solved yet the several cases of the reference in the denomination of the variety of the exclusive licensee and not the breeder of the variety , in relation to business practices , and whether this could be against legal framework or not.

.The association of a trademark must not involve the removal or the impairment of the denomination.

.If the name is composed of letters and numbers, the numbers may not coincide not being enough the letters to differentiate he denomination.

Thanks!