



Disclaimer: unless otherwise agreed by the Council of UPOV, only documents that have been adopted by the Council of UPOV and that have not been superseded can represent UPOV policies or guidance.

This document has been scanned from a paper copy and may have some discrepancies from the original document.

---

Avertissement: sauf si le Conseil de l'UPOV en décide autrement, seuls les documents adoptés par le Conseil de l'UPOV n'ayant pas été remplacés peuvent représenter les principes ou les orientations de l'UPOV.

Ce document a été numérisé à partir d'une copie papier et peut contenir des différences avec le document original.

---

Allgemeiner Haftungsausschluß: Sofern nicht anders vom Rat der UPOV vereinbart, geben nur Dokumente, die vom Rat der UPOV angenommen und nicht ersetzt wurden, Grundsätze oder eine Anleitung der UPOV wieder.

Dieses Dokument wurde von einer Papierkopie gescannt und könnte Abweichungen vom Originaldokument aufweisen.

---

Descargo de responsabilidad: salvo que el Consejo de la UPOV decida de otro modo, solo se considerarán documentos de políticas u orientaciones de la UPOV los que hayan sido aprobados por el Consejo de la UPOV y no hayan sido reemplazados.

Este documento ha sido escaneado a partir de una copia en papel y puede que existan divergencias en relación con el documento original.

UPOV

TC/XIII/7

ORIGINAL: French

DATE: March 26, 1979

## INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS

GENEVA

## TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Thirteenth Session  
Geneva, March 26 to 28, 1979

DATA RECORDING AND INTERPRETATION  
TEST GUIDELINES FOR CHRYSANTHEMUM

Comments transmitted by CIOPORA

In a letter dated March 19, 1979, addressed to the Vice Secretary-General of UPOV, the Secretary-General of CIOPORA transmitted remarks on Data Recording and Interpretation, as presented in document C/XII/9 and to the Test Guidelines for Chrysanthemum. The letter is attached to this document.

[Annex follows]

## ANNEX

LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF CIOPORA, DATED MARCH 19, 1979,  
ADDRESSED TO THE VICE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UPOV

Subject: Data recording and interpretation for preliminary examination

...

As you will have already been informed by Mr. Favre, whom I requested to ring you in this matter, our Association will not be holding its next Annual General Meeting until May next. It will not be possible, therefore, to let you have our comments on the above-mentioned document before the date planned for the meeting of the Expert Committee.

However, we expect to be able to submit comments following our meeting and we hope that the Committee will be able to take them into account when drafting the final wording of the Guidelines.

As regards document TG/26, concerning the draft guidelines for examining the species "Chrysanthemum," I have received a number of remarks over the telephone, of which the following are the more important:

1. In view of the extremely large number of minor mutations which occur in chrysanthemums and which could lead to it becoming impossible to effectively protect hybrid varieties, the majority of chrysanthemum breeders favor a degree of stringency in the recognition of novelty, stability and homogeneity characteristics.

2. Most breeders feel that such a detailed description should make it possible to suppress or defer (until such time as a dispute arises) examination of the plants (under glass) and therefore to reduce the examination, as in the USA, to a paperwork examination.

3. Most of the characteristics mentioned in the description document are liable to variations, which may be large, depending on:

- temperature,
- day length,
- light intensity.

It might therefore be desirable to ask the breeder to specify the data for these three parameters at the time the description is made.

4. The description document seems to have been drawn up with a view mainly to "cut flowers." Other criteria would possibly have to be taken into consideration for pot chrysanthemums.

5. The chrysanthemum breeders would also like a little more time to examine the UPOV document in more detail and to formulate any comments they may have.

[End of Annex and of document]