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PARA LA PROTECCIÓN
DE LAS OBTENCIONES
VEGETALES

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INTERNATIONAL UNION
FOR THE PROTECTION
OF NEW VARIETIES
OF PLANTS

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**ACCESSION OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC TO THE 1991 ACT
OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE
PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS**

The Government of the Slovak Republic deposited its instrument of accession to the 1991 Act of the International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants on May 12, 2009.

The purpose of UPOV is to provide and promote an effective system of plant variety protection, with the aim of encouraging the development of new varieties of plants, for the benefit of society.

The Slovak Republic, which is already one of the sixty-seven members of UPOV, is the forty-fourth member to become bound by the 1991 Act of the UPOV Convention. The 1991 Act will enter into force for the Slovak Republic on June 12, 2009, one month after the deposit of its instrument of accession.

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