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INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS

GENEVA

COUNCIL

**Twenty-fifth Ordinary Session
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL FOR 1990

(Twenty-second Year)

I. COMPOSITION OF THE UNION

1. There was no change in 1990 in the composition of the Union. As on December 31, 1990, it comprised 19 member States: Australia, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom and United States of America¹. All, except Belgium and Spain, are party to the Revised Act of October 23, 1978, of the Convention. Belgium and Spain are party to the 1961 Convention, as amended by the Additional Act of 1972.

2. Pursuant to Article 32(3) of the Act of 1978, "any State which is not a member of the Union and which has not signed this Act shall, before depositing its instrument of accession, ask the Council to advise it in respect of the conformity of its laws with the provisions of this Act." The Government of Czechoslovakia asked for such advice by letter of January 31, 1990. The Council met in extraordinary session (its ninth) on April 27, 1990, under the chairmanship of Mr. W.F.S. Duffhues (Netherlands) to consider that request; it unanimously decided to give a positive advice on conformity.

3. The table in the Annex to this report summarizes the position of the various States as regards the various Acts of the Convention, as at December 31, 1990.

¹ Canada, a signatory State of the Revised Act of October 23, 1978, deposited its instrument of ratification of the said Act on February 4, 1991. In accordance with Article 33(2) of the said Act, it became a party to that Act on March 4, 1991, and thereby constitutes the twentieth member State of the Union.

II. SESSIONS OF THE COUNCIL, THE COMMITTEES AND THE WORKING PARTIES

4. During 1990, the various bodies of UPOV met as described below. Unless otherwise specified, the sessions took place at Geneva.

5. Council.- The Council held its ninth extraordinary session on April 27 (see above).

6. The Council held its twenty-fourth ordinary session on October 18 and 19, under the chairmanship of Mr. W.F.S Duffhues (Netherlands). This session was attended by observers from nine non-member States,² four intergovernmental organizations³ and six international non-governmental organizations.⁴

7. At that session, the Council took the following main decisions:

(i) It approved the Secretary-General's report on the activities of the Union in 1989 and the first nine months of 1990.

(ii) It approved the Secretary-General's report on his management during the 1988-1989 biennium and on the financial situation of the Union as at December 31, 1989, and accepted the report on the auditing of the accounts for the above-mentioned period.

(iii) It took the necessary measures for the holding of a Diplomatic Conference for the revision of the UPOV Convention from March 4 to 19, 1991.

(iv) It approved the progress reports on the work of its various subsidiary bodies and drew up or approved plans for their work in the year ahead.

(v) It adopted a declaration of recognition of the competence of the Administrative Tribunal of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) to hear complaints filed against UPOV by its staff members.

(vi) It elected the new Chairmen of four Technical Working Parties for a term of three years expiring at the end of the twenty-seventh ordinary session of the Council, in 1993:

Technical Working Party on Automation and Computer Programs:
Mr. K. Kristensen (Denmark);

² Argentina, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, India, Morocco, Portugal, Venezuela.

³ Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), European Communities (EC), European Patent Organisation (EPO), Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

⁴ International Association for the Protection of Industrial Property (AIPPI), International Association of Plant Breeders for the Protection of Plant Varieties (ASSINSEL), Association of Plant Breeders of the European Economic Community (COMASSO), Seed-Committee of the Common Market (COSEMCO), International Federation of the Seed Trade (FIS), Union of European Practitioners in Industrial Property (UPEPI).

Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops: Mr. B. Spellerberg (Germany);

Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees:
Mrs. E. Buitendag (South Africa);

Technical Working Party for Vegetables: Mr. N.P.A. van Marrewijk
(Netherlands).

(vii) It decided to extend the term of office of Mr. M.S. Camlin (United Kingdom) as Chairman of the Technical Working Party for Agricultural Crops by one year so as to have it end at the above-mentioned date.

8. Consultative Committee.- The Consultative Committee held its forty-first session on April 27 and its forty-second session on October 17, under the chairmanship of Mr. W.F.S Duffhues (Netherlands).

9. Discussions at the forty-first session were mainly devoted to questions in relation to the revision of the UPOV Convention, reconsideration of the list of organizations invited to UPOV meetings, and an exchange of views on the preparation of UPOV seminars (see below). The forty-second session was mainly devoted to preparing the twenty-fourth ordinary session of the Council, especially regarding the revision of the UPOV Convention, and to a first debate on the policy of UPOV in its relations with developing countries.

10. Administrative and Legal Committee.- The Administrative and Legal Committee held three sessions, under the chairmanship of Mr. J.-F. Prevel (France), as follows (the observer States and organizations having participated in each session are indicated in brackets):

i) its twenty-sixth session from April 23 to 26 (Argentina, Bulgaria, Finland, Norway, Turkey, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), EC, European Free Trade Association (EFTA), EPO);

ii) its twenty-seventh session from June 25 to 29 (Finland, EC, EPO);

iii) its twenty-eighth session from October 12 to 16 (Argentina, Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, Finland, Norway, WIPO, EC, EPO).

11. The Committee devoted those sessions almost entirely to the revision of the Convention.

12. Technical Committee.- The Technical Committee held its twenty-sixth session on October 11 and 12, under the chairmanship of Mr. G. Fuchs (Germany).

13. On the basis of the preparatory work carried out by the Technical Working Parties, the Technical Committee adopted Test Guidelines for the following 15 taxa (the asterisk denotes a revised version): Asparagus; Bent*; Brussels Sprouts*; Carnation*; Carrot*; Kentucky Bluegrass (Smooth-Stalked Meadow Grass)*; Lachenalia; Leucadendron; Leucospermum; Ornithogalum; Red and White Currant*; Rose*; Ryegrass*; Safflower; Spathiphyllum.

14. The Committee considered the progress reports on the work of the Technical Working Parties and defined the main features of their future work. It also examined the matters raised by those organs on the basis of the experience gained by the member States in carrying out the examination for distinctness, homogeneity and stability of new plant varieties.

15. Furthermore, as regards fodder grasses for the time being and, where also possible, other cross-pollinated agricultural crops, the Committee decided on the principle of the replacement of the present method of examination for homogeneity, in which data are analyzed separately for each vegetation period, by the Combined Over-Years Uniformity Analysis (COYU).

16. Technical Working Parties.— The Technical Working Parties each held one session in 1990, outside Geneva, as follows:

(i) The Technical Working Party for Agricultural Crops (TWA) held its nineteenth session from May 15 to 17 in Wageningen (Netherlands), under the chairmanship of Mr. D.S. Camlin (United Kingdom).

(ii) The Technical Working Party on Automation and Computer Programs (TWC) held its eighth session from June 6 to 8 in Belfast (Ireland), under the chairmanship of Mr. F. Laidig (Germany).

(iii) The Technical Working Party for Vegetables (TWV) held its twenty-third session from July 2 to 6 in Avignon (France), under the chairmanship of Mr. R. Brand (France).

(iv) The Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops (TWF) held its twenty-first session from September 10 to 17 in Tsukuba (Japan), under the chairmanship of Mr. Bar-Tel (Israel).

(v) The Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees (TWO) held its twenty-third session from September 16 to 24 in Tokyo (Japan), under the chairmanship of Mr. C.J. Barendrecht (Netherlands).

17. The basic task of four of these Working Parties is to draw up Test Guidelines. In addition to the drafts submitted to the Technical Committee for adoption, they drew up further drafts, for the following taxa, to be submitted to the professional organizations for comment: blueberry, jostaberry, lingonberry (TWF); azalea, lily (draft revised version) (TWO).

18. In addition, all Technical Working Parties discussed the use of laboratory techniques and equipment--especially of electrophoresis--for the examination of varieties.

III. OTHER MEETINGS

19. Two series of specialized meetings were held in 1990 with the following aims:

i) to further the preparatory work for the revision of the Convention and the debate on the relations between the various systems for the protection of intellectual property in the area of plants;

ii) to present and promote the protection of new varieties of plants and UPOV in non-member States.

20. (Joint UPOV and WIPO) Committee of Experts on the Interface Between Patent Protection and Plant Breeders' Rights.- This Committee of Experts held a session from January 29 to February 2 under the co-chairmanship of Mr. W.F.S. Duffhues (Netherlands) and Mr. A. Sugden (United Kingdom); Mr. J.-F. Prevel (France) chaired the meeting of February 2 in the absence of Mr. Duffhues. This session was the first meeting at which it was possible, at a global level, for the greater part of the parties concerned by the protection of intellectual property in the area of plants to meet: 39 States,⁵ five intergovernmental organizations⁶ and 24 international non-governmental organizations⁷ participated.

21. The Committee of Experts had an exchange of views on the basis of a document drawn up jointly by the International Bureau of WIPO and the Office of UPOV entitled "Questions Concerning the Interface Between Patent Protection and Plant Breeders' Rights."

⁵ Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Czechoslovakia, Democratic Republic of Germany, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany (Federal Republic of), Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Senegal, Soviet Union, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam.

⁶ Commission of the European Communities (CEC), European Free Trade Association (EFTA), European Patent Organisation (EPO), International Seed Testing Association (ISTA), Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

⁷ International Association of Horticultural Producers (AIPH), International Association for the Protection of Industrial Property (AIPPI), Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA), International Association of Plant Breeders for the Protection of Plant Varieties (ASSINSEL), International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP), European Council of Chemical Manufacturers' Federations (CEFIC), International Community of Breeders of Asexually Reproduced Ornamental and Fruit-Tree Varieties (CIOPORA), Committee of National Institutes of Patent Agents (CNIPA), General Committee for Agricultural Cooperation in the European Economic Community (COGECA), Association of Plant Breeders of the European Economic Community (COMASSO), Committee of Agricultural Organisations in the European Economic Community (COPA), European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries' Associations (EFPIA), Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (EPI), European Federation of Agents of Industry in Industrial Property (FEMIP), International Federation of Industrial Property Attorneys (FICPI), International Federation of the Seed Trade (FIS), International Group of National Associations of Agrochemical Manufacturers (GIFAP), Industrial Biotechnology Association (IBA), International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP), Japan Patent Association (JPA), Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Patent, Copyright and Competition Law (MPI), Pacific Industrial Property Association (PIPA), Union of Industrial and Employers' Confederations of Europe (UNICE).

22. Conference Organized by the ICC on the Interface Between Patent Protection and Plant Breeders' Rights.- The Conference was held on April 5 and 6 and had been entirely organized by ICC, mainly for the benefit of the international non-governmental organizations in order to harmonize their points of view, following the requests of participants at the session of the above-mentioned Committee of Experts. The Office of the Union participated in the Conference, as well as the International Bureau of WIPO, as an observer. Fifteen international non-governmental organizations,⁸ CEC and EPO, together with a number of States, were represented at the Conference.

23. At the end of the Conference, participants took cognizance--favorably in the majority of cases--of a document entitled "Final Communiqué" and containing a series of principles which, according to them, would have a double effect: on the one hand, they would preserve the legal certainty inherent in the plant variety protection system; on the other hand, they would allow the patent system to retain its ability to respond to technical change and, in the field of plants, this system would benefit from more appropriate treatment of claims for varieties.

24. Fifth Meeting with International Organizations.- The fifth Meeting with international organizations was held on October 10 and 11, under the chairmanship of Mr. W.F.S. Duffhues (Netherlands), to enable the international non-governmental organizations to give their views on the draft revised text of the Convention prior to its finalization. They were 16⁹ to participate. WIPO, EC and EPO also attended.

25. Seminars.- A Regional Seminar on the Nature of and Rationale for the Protection of Plant Varieties Under the UPOV Convention was held in Budapest (Hungary) from September 19 to 21. It had been organized jointly by the Government of Hungary and UPOV. Some 50 people from 17 countries¹⁰, mainly from central and eastern Europe, attended.

26. The seminar dealt with the following subjects: the history of the UPOV Convention and the rationale for plant breeders' rights; the fundamental provisions of the Convention and their possible revision; the interface between breeders' rights and other forms of intellectual property protection, in particular patents; the impact of breeders' rights on the economy from the point of view of Governments and the varieties and seeds industry, and also from the point of view of technology transfer.

⁸ AIPH, AIPPI, ASSINSEL, CIOPORA, COMASSO, EPI, FEMUPI, FICPI, FIS, GIFAP, ICC, JPA, MPI, PIPA, UNICE.

⁹ AIPH, AIPPI, ASSINSEL, European Federation of Agricultural and Rural Contractors (CEETAR), CIOPORA, COGECA, COMASSO, COPA, COSEMCO, FICPI, FIS, GIFAP, ICC, International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP), UNICE, UPEPI.

¹⁰ Austria, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Soviet Union, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom, United States of America.

27. A preparatory meeting of the Regional Seminar for Asia and the Pacific on the Protection of New Varieties of Plants of 1991 was held in Tokyo (Japan) from November 27 to 29. The meeting had been organized by UPOV in cooperation with the Government of Japan and financed by the Japanese funds-in-trust (the Seminar itself will be funded in the same manner). Ten participants from seven invited countries¹¹, and 10 participants from the host country attended.

28. The Seminar dealt with the following subjects: the nature of the protection of new varieties of plants; the protection of new varieties of plants and the seed control in Japan; some practical aspects of protection; the organization of the Seminar.

IV. RELATIONS WITH STATES AND ORGANIZATIONS

29. On January 4, the Vice Secretary-General received the visit of Mr. Wilfried Delforge, President of the Belgian branch of CIOPORA.

30. On January 10, the Vice Secretary-General participated, by invitation, in a meeting held by the Green Industry Biotechnology Platform (GIBiP) in Amsterdam, Netherlands. Visits were made to Dutch vegetable breeders and the Vice Secretary-General participated in discussions on the revision of the Convention.

31. On January 11, the Vice Secretary-General received the visit of Dr. Parry Mulleavy, Director General of the Mushroom Cooperation, Michigan, United States of America, who was interested in the protection of edible fungi, particularly the morel.

32. From January 24 to 26, the Vice Secretary-General participated in meetings in Munich, Germany, of the European Patent Office's ad hoc Working Party on Harmonization (Biotechnology) at which matters were examined for discussion at the session of the joint UPOV and WIPO Committee of Experts on the Interface between Patents and Plant Breeders' Rights held the following week.

33. On February 8, the Vice Secretary-General received the visit of Mr. Joon-Kyu Kim, Intellectual Property Attaché at the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea in Geneva. Mr. Kim sought information and papers relating to plant variety protection.

34. On February 19, the Vice Secretary-General paid a visit to the Secretary to the Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture, in New Delhi, India, and to the Secretary in that Department responsible for seed. He described the UPOV system of plant variety protection and answered questions.

35. From February 20 to 24, the Vice Secretary-General participated in an International Conference on Seed Science and Technology in New Delhi, India. He chaired a session of the Conference dealing with the development of hybrid varieties, seed production and plant breeders' rights and gave in the session a paper on "the international plant breeders' rights system established under the UPOV Convention."

¹¹ China, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand.

36. From February 19 to 23, an official of the Union participated in the second session of the ad hoc Working Group for the preparation of a legal instrument on the biological diversity of the planet, held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva. The Working Group agreed, inter alia, to undertake a study on "the relationship between intellectual property rights and access to genetic resources in biotechnology."
37. On March 28, the Vice Secretary-General participated in a Symposium on the challenges of biotechnology in a changing legal and economic environment, held by the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris, France. He gave a contribution on UPOV and developments in the protection of plant varieties.
38. On May 17, the Vice Secretary-General received the visit of Mr. J. Van Wijk, from the University of Amsterdam. Mr. Van Wijk is also the Secretary of a study group, set up by the Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs, on biotechnology and the protection of intellectual property in connection with developing countries.
39. On May 28 and 29, the Vice Secretary-General participated in Munich, Germany, in a meeting of the European Patent Office's ad hoc Working Party on Harmonization (Biotechnology), at which in particular the proposals for the revision of the UPOV Convention were considered.
40. On May 31 and June 1, an official of the Union participated in Perugia, Italy, in a forum on biotechnology law at which he presented a paper.
41. On June 7 and 8, the Vice Secretary-General visited the Finnish authorities in Helsinki in connection with their intention to introduce a plant variety protection system and to become a member of UPOV.
42. From June 11 to 15, the Vice Secretary-General participated in Seville, Spain, in the congresses of the International Federation of the Seed Trade (FIS) and of the International Association of Plant Breeders for the Protection of Plant Varieties (ASSINSEL).
43. From July 9 to 13, the Vice Secretary-General and an official of the Union participated in the third session of the ad hoc Working Group for the preparation of a legal instrument on the biological diversity of the planet, which was held at the ILO headquarters in Geneva.
44. On July 12, the Vice Secretary-General received the visit of two members of the Permanent Mission of China in Geneva; they requested information about UPOV and plant variety protection.
45. On August 6 and 7, the Vice Secretary-General participated in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in a conference on "the protection of plant varieties, present situation and future prospects," at which he presented a paper. On that occasion, he also met with the Argentinian authorities responsible for plant variety protection and representatives of interested circles. He discussed in particular the amendments which the Government of Argentina was planning to make to legislation on plant variety protection in order to bring it into line with the UPOV Convention and enable Argentina to become a member of UPOV.

46. On August 9 and 10, the Vice Secretary-General was in Montevideo, Uruguay, where he met with the Uruguayan authorities responsible for plant variety protection in order to discuss, in particular, the amendments which the Government of Uruguay was planning to make to legislation on plant variety protection to bring it into line with the UPOV Convention and enable Uruguay to become a member of UPOV. He also met with representatives of interested circles and presented a paper at a conference specially organized on the occasion of his visit.

47. During his stay in Montevideo, the Vice Secretary-General also participated in a meeting organized by the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI). ALADI was trying to establish a uniform seed certification system for Latin America and considered that plant variety protection could be complementary to that project. It was agreed that ALADI and UPOV would proceed to an initial exchange of information.

48. From August 12 to 15, the Vice Secretary-General participated at Ames, Iowa, United States of America, in the Fourth International Symposium on the Development and Application of New Technologies for Varietal Identification, organized with the support of the International Seed Testing Association (ISTA); he presented a paper there.

49. On August 16 and 17, the Vice Secretary-General visited the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the Ministry of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. He also participated in Beltsville, Maryland, in a meeting of national program leaders for crop research and of administrators of the Agricultural Research Service. During that meeting, convened specially on the occasion of his visit, he described the present state and the future developments of the UPOV Convention.

50. On August 20 and 21, the Vice Secretary-General participated at Rodd's Mill River Resort, Prince Edward Island, Canada, in the Conference on Plant Breeders' Rights for Potatoes, organized by the Prince Edward Island Potato Marketing Commission and coordinated by the Atlantic Advisory Committee for Potatoes; he presented a paper there.

51. From September 12 to 15, the Vice Secretary-General participated at Yalova, near Istanbul, Turkey, in the International Seed Certification Symposium organized by the Turkish Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Affairs and the Turkish Association of Seed Producers, and presented a paper there. During that Symposium, it was announced that a Bill on plant variety protection had been submitted to Parliament and that it was expected that it would take two years to pass through Parliament.

52. On September 16, an official of the Union participated at Osaka, Japan, in an international workshop on the improvement of fruit crops and ornamental plants and the protection of plant varieties, jointly organized by the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Japan Association for the International Garden and Greenery Exposition and the Government Garden of Japan; he presented a paper there.

53. From September 30 to October 2, the Vice Secretary-General participated at Ottawa, Canada, in a meeting on intellectual property rights, organized in the context of the Keystone International Dialogue Series on Plant Genetic Resources.

54. From November 11 to 15, the President of the Council, together with the Vice Secretary-General, visited Bulgaria, at the invitation of the Bulgarian Government, where they met with the Minister for Agriculture, the Director General and senior officials of the Bulgarian Institute of Inventions and Rationalizations. They also attended a meeting convened for officials of the Ministry of Agriculture, officials of the Institute of Inventions and Rationalizations and the Chairman of the Committee of the Bulgarian Parliament which is responsible for the drafting of a new patent law. The aim of the meeting was to consider how the protection of new plant varieties should be administered.

55. From November 30 to December 1, following the Preparatory Meeting for the UPOV Regional Seminar for Asia and the Pacific on the Protection of New Plant Varieties, the Vice Secretary-General travelled to the Republic of Korea where he met officials of the Ministry of Agriculture, of the Office of the Rural Development Administration and of the Korea Industrial Property Office.

56. On December 17, the Vice Secretary-General received a visit from an Attaché of the Permanent Mission of Colombia in Geneva, who expressed great interest in plant variety protection and asked for information.

V. PUBLICATIONS

57. In 1990, the Office of the Union published an issue of Plant Variety Protection.

58. The Council is invited to approve this report.

[Annex follows]

ANNEX

MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNION (as at December 31, 1990)
(including signatory States that are not yet members)

State	Date of signature ¹	Date of deposit of instrument ^{1,2}	Date of effect ¹
Australia	- - -	- - February 1, 1989	- - March 1, 1989
Belgium	December 2, 1961 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978	November 5, 1976 November 5, 1976 -	December 5, 1976 February 11, 1977 -
Canada [became a member in 1991]	- - October 31, 1979	- - -	- - -
Denmark	November 26, 1962 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978	September 6, 1968 February 8, 1974 October 8, 1981	October 6, 1968 February 11, 1977 November 8, 1981
France	December 2, 1961 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978	September 3, 1971 January 22, 1975 February 17, 1983	October 3, 1971 February 11, 1977 March 17, 1983
Germany	December 2, 1961 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978	July 11, 1968 July 23, 1976 March 12, 1986	August 10, 1968 February 11, 1977 April 12, 1986
Hungary	- - -	- - March 16, 1983	- - April 16, 1983
Ireland	- - September 27, 1979	- - May 19, 1981	- - November 8, 1981
Israel	- - -	November 12, 1979 November 12, 1979 April 12, 1984	December 12, 1979 December 12, 1979 May 12, 1984

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¹ First Line: International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants of December 2, 1961.
Second Line: Additional Act of November 10, 1972.
Third Line: Revised Text of October 23, 1978.

² of ratification where the State has signed the Convention or the Additional Act, depending on the case; of ratification, acceptance or accession where the State has signed the Revised Text of 1978; of accession where it has not signed the text concerned.

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(including signatory States that are not yet members)

State	Date of signature ¹	Date of deposit of instrument ^{1,2}	Date of effect ¹
Italy	December 2, 1961	June 1, 1977	July 1, 1977
	November 10, 1972	June 1, 1977	July 1, 1977
	October 23, 1978	April 28, 1986	May 28, 1986
Japan	-	-	-
	October 17, 1979	August 3, 1982	September 3, 1982
Mexico (not yet a member)	-	-	-
	July 25, 1979	-	-
Netherlands	December 2, 1961	August 8, 1967	August 10, 1968
	November 10, 1972	January 12, 1977	February 11, 1977
	October 23, 1978	August 2, 1984	September 2, 1984
New Zealand	-	-	-
	July 25, 1979	November 3, 1980	November 8, 1981
Poland	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	October 11, 1989	November 11, 1989
South Africa	-	October 7, 1977	November 6, 1977
	-	October 7, 1977	November 6, 1977
	October 23, 1978	July 21, 1981	November 8, 1981
Spain	-	April 18, 1980	May 18, 1980
	-	April 18, 1980	May 18, 1980
	-	-	-
Sweden	-	November 17, 1971	December 17, 1971
	January 11, 1973	January 11, 1973	February 11, 1977
	December 6, 1978	December 1, 1982	January 1, 1983
Switzerland	November 30, 1962	June 10, 1977	July 10, 1977
	November 10, 1972	June 10, 1977	July 10, 1977
	October 23, 1978	June 17, 1981	November 8, 1981
United Kingdom	November 26, 1962	September 17, 1965	August 10, 1968
	November 10, 1972	July 1, 1980	July 31, 1980
	October 23, 1978	August 24, 1983	September 24, 1983
United States of America	-	-	-
	October 23, 1978	November 12, 1980	November 8, 1981