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COUNCIL

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REPORT ON ACTIVITIES DURING THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF 1996

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I. COMPOSITION OF THE UNION

Members and Future Members

- 1. On August 13, 1996, Colombia deposited its instrument of accession to the 1978 Act of the Convention, which therefore entered into force for Colombia on September 13, 1996.
- 2. As of that date the Union comprises the following 31 member States: <u>Argentina</u>, <u>Australia</u>, <u>Austria</u>, <u>Belgium</u>, <u>Canada</u>, <u>Chile</u>, <u>Colombia</u>, <u>Czech Republic</u>, <u>Denmark</u>, <u>Finland</u>, <u>France</u>, <u>Germany</u>, <u>Hungary</u>, <u>Ireland</u>, <u>Israel</u>, <u>Italy</u>, <u>Japan</u>, <u>Netherlands</u>, <u>New Zealand</u>, <u>Norway</u>, <u>Poland</u>, <u>Portugal</u>, <u>Slovakia</u>, <u>South Africa</u>, <u>Spain</u>, <u>Sweden</u>, <u>Switzerland</u>, <u>Ukraine</u>, <u>United Kingdom</u>, <u>United States of America</u>, <u>Uruguay</u>.
- 3. Under Article 32(3) of the 1978 Act, "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."
- 4. By letter dated January 31, <u>Brazil</u> asked the Council for advice on the conformity of a draft law with the 1978 Act.

5. At its thirteenth extraordinary session, held in Rome (Italy) on April 18, the Council considered the draft, and also the legislation of <u>Ecuador</u>, the examination of which had been requested by letter dated October 1, 1995, received by the Office of the Union on October 19, 1995, after the twenty-ninth ordinary session of the Council. The Council took a conditional decision on Brazil's law and a positive decision on Ecuador's request, noting at the same time that the legislation of the latter country was also consistent with the 1991 Act.

Status of the Various Acts of the Convention

- 6. All member States are bound by the 1978 Act with the exception of Belgium and Spain, which are party to the 1961 Act as amended by the Additional Act of 1972.
- 7. Under its Article 37(1), the 1991 Act "shall enter into force one month after five States have deposited their instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession, as the case may be, provided that at least three of the said instruments have been deposited by States party to the Act of 1961/1972 or the Act of 1978."
- 8. In the course of the first nine months of 1996, two States deposited their instruments of ratification of the 1991 Act of the Convention:
 - (a) <u>Denmark</u> on April 26;
 - (b) Israel on June 3.
- 9. Under Article 30(2) of the 1991 Act, each State or intergovernmental organization must, on depositing its instrument of adherence, be in a position, under its laws, to give effect to the provisions of that Act.
- 10. In the course of the first nine months of the year, to the knowledge of the Office of the Union, the <u>Netherlands</u> and <u>Poland</u>, (and <u>Israel</u>) adopted laws to adapt their protection systems to the 1991 Act. A number of others adopted amendments consistent with the Act or drew up draft laws.
- 11. The table appearing in the Annex to this report summarizes the position of the various States in relation to the various Acts of the Convention as of September 30, 1996.

II. SESSIONS OF THE COUNCIL AND ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES

Council

12. The Council held its thirteenth extraordinary session in Rome (Italy) on April 18, under the chairmanship of Mr. Bill Whitmore (New Zealand), in response to the requests for advice submitted by Brazil and Ecuador under Article 32(3) of the 1978 Act. Consultative Committee

13. The Consultative Committee held its fifty-first session on April 18, under the chairmanship of Mr. Bill Whitmore. Its work covered the following matters: a report by the representatives of member States on the development of the situation regarding the implementation of the 1991 Act, the proposed UPOV central CD-ROM database on plant variety protection and related matters, the system of contributions to UPOV, the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights ("TRIPS Agreement") and plant variety protection, and biodiversity, plant genetic resources and plant variety protection.

Administrative and Legal Committee, Technical Committee, Technical Working Parties and Working Group on Biochemical and Molecular Techniques, and DNA Profiling in Particular

14. For the work of the above bodies, reference is made to documents C/30/9 and C/30/10.

III. SEMINARS

- 15. At the end of February and the beginning of March, UPOV organized two national seminars in America on the nature of and rationale for the protection of plant varieties under the Convention, namely:
- (a) In Havana (<u>Cuba</u>) on February 27 and 28, in cooperation with the National Office of Inventions, Technical Information and Marks of Cuba (ONIITEM);
- (b) In Panama City (<u>Panama</u>) on March 4 and 5, in cooperation with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Panama and the Panamanian Agronomic Research Institute (IDIAP).

The Government of Spain lent its assistance to the above events by providing a speaker.

- 16. On April 19, a meeting was held in Rome (<u>Italy</u>), alongside the sessions of the UPOV Consultative Committee and Council and the second extraordinary session of the (FAO) Commission for Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, on the protection of new varieties of plants under the UPOV Convention. The Italian Government lent its assistance to the above event by making the premises of the *Istituto Sperimentale per la Patologia Vegetale* available.
- 17. At the end of May and beginning of June, UPOV organized the following three national seminars on the nature of and rationale for the protection of plant varieties under the UPOV Convention:
- (a) In Bishkek (<u>Kyrgyzstan</u>) on May 28, in cooperation with the Patent Department of the Ministry of Science and Education of Kyrgyzstan;
- (b) In Almaty (<u>Kazakhstan</u>) on May 30, in cooperation with the National Patent Office of Kazakhstan;

(c) In Tashkent (<u>Uzbekistan</u>) on June 3, in cooperation with the State Patent Office of Uzbekistan.

The German Government lent its assistance to the above events by providing a speaker.

- 18. From July 24 to 26, a regional seminar was held in Quito (<u>Ecuador</u>), for Andean countries, on the protection of plant varieties, organized by the Ecuadorian Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock and the Ecuadorian Association of Breeders (ASOVEC), in cooperation with UPOV and the Inter-American Institute for Agricultural Cooperation (IICA-PROCIANDINO). The Governments of Argentina, France, Spain and the Netherlands lent assistance to the event by providing one speaker each. The seminar touched on all the main aspects of protection and dealt with matters of technical examination of varieties in greater depth.
- 19. In September, UPOV organized, with financial assistance from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan, the following three national seminars on the nature of and rationale for the protection of plant varieties under the UPOV Convention:
- (a) In New Delhi (<u>India</u>) on September 12, in cooperation with the Indian Ministry of Agriculture;
- (b) In Dhaka (<u>Bangladesh</u>), on September 16, in cooperation with the Bangladeshi Ministry of Agriculture;
- (c) In Hanoi (<u>Viet Nam</u>), on September 19 and 20, in cooperation with the Vietnamese Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.

Representatives of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines and Thailand also took part in the latter seminar.

IV. RELATIONS WITH STATES AND ORGANIZATIONS

- 20. From January 15 to 18, the Vice Secretary-General participated in a technical consultation on an implementation framework for farmers' rights in Madras (India), organized by the M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation with the support from the Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India, the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) and the Swedish International Development Authority.
- 21. The consultation provided an opportunity for discussions with Mr. G. Balakrishnan, Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, and other senior officials of the Indian Government on possible proposals to legislate in India on the subject of plant variety protection.
- 22. On February 3, the Vice Secretary-General participated in a seminar entitled "Current issues before the WTO Committee on Trade and Environment" organized by the Quaker Office to the United Nations in Geneva. He gave a presentation on UPOV and plant variety protection.

- 23. On February 5 and 6, the Vice Secretary-General had contacts with Mr. Aleksandar Heina, Counsellor in the Permanent Mission of Croatia at Geneva, who provided a copy of a draft law of Croatia on plant variety protection and asked for the comments of the Office of the Union as a matter of urgency.
- 24. On February 14 and 15, the Vice Secretary-General participated in parts of a meeting of the Genetic Resources Policy Committee meeting of the Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), which was held in Rolle (Switzerland).
- 25. On February 16, the Vice Secretary-General received a request from Mr. Ignacio S. Sapalo, Director for Patents, Trademarks and Technology Transfer of the Philippines, for the comments of the Office of the Union on various Bills concerning plant material which were currently before the Philippines legislature.
- 26. On the same day, an official of the Union presented a paper at a Colloquium organized in Weinfelden (Switzerland) by OBTECTA A.G, a Swiss commercial organization offering services to plant breeders.
- 27. Also on February 16, the Vice Secretary-General met Mr. Srinivasan Narayanan, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of India to the World Trade Organization (WTO), and Mr. Thjindir Khanna, Secretary, Ministry of Industry, New Delhi, to discuss plant variety protection issues.
- 28. On February 20, the Vice Secretary-General sent a letter to Mr. Carlos Alberto Pfingst, Acting Director of the Seeds Directorate of Paraguay, providing supporting information in connection with proceedings in the National Congress of Paraguay concerning accession to the 1978 Act of the UPOV Convention.
- 29. On February 27 and March 1, in the context of the national Seminar, an official of the Union and Mr. Ricardo López de Haro y Wood, Technical Director for Certification and Variety Registration, INSPV, Spain, had discussions in Havana with Mrs. América N. Santos Riveras, Director, and other officials of the National Office for Inventions, Information Technology and Trade Marks (ONIITEM) of Cuba.
- 30. On March 5, the Vice Secretary-General received the visit of Mr. Clive S.K. Lau, Agricultural Officer in the Agriculture and Fisheries Department of the Government of Hong Kong, who handed over a draft plant varieties protection Bill proposed to be enacted by Hong Kong in order to meet its obligations under the TRIPS Agreement.
- 31. On March 6, the Vice Secretary-General received the courtesy visit of Mr. David Vermerris, President of the International Federation of the Seed Trade (FIS).
- 32. From March 6 to 8, an official of the Union and Mr. Ricardo López de Haro y Wood had discussions in Quito with officials of the Industrial Property Directorate of the Ministry of Industry, Commerce, Integration and Fisheries, the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock and the National Institute of Agricultural Research and with representatives of other circles interested in plant variety protection.

- 33. From March 13 to 15, the Vice Secretary-General and an official of the Union participated in the sixth meeting of the Seed Committee of the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI) in Buenos Aires in an observer capacity. The business of the Committee included the studying of a draft agreement for the harmonization following the principles of the 1978 and 1991 Acts of norms and policies concerning plant breeders' rights of ALADI members.
- 34. The meeting also provided an opportunity to meet representatives of Bolivia and to clarify a certain number of issues with regard to a text that would align national legislation on the 1991 Act of the Convention.
- 35. On March 18, the Vice Secretary-General presented a paper on intellectual property aspects in a workshop, organized by OECD in Buenos Aires, devoted to trade in transgenic varieties.
- 36. From March 18 to 20, the Vice Secretary-General and an official of the Union participated in Buenos Aires, in an observer capacity, in the Annual Meeting of the Representatives of the National Designated Authorities under the OECD Schemes for the Varietal Certification of Seed Moving in International Trade.
- 37. On March 22, an official of the Union participated in an information meeting organized in Paris by the French trade associations AMSOL and SEPROMA to discuss the essential derivation concept, and presented a paper.
- 38. On April 2, the Vice Secretary-General received a visit from Mr. Akil A. Azimov, Director of the State Patent Office, and Mr. T.T. Riskiev, Deputy Director of the State Science and Technology Commission of Uzbekistan, who discussed the national seminar to be organized in Tashkent on June 3 and 4.
- 39. On April 15, 1996, the Vice Secretary-General had a meeting with Mr. Adrian Otten, Director of the Intellectual Property and Investment Division of WTO, and officials of WIPO to discuss the matter of notification of plant variety protection laws under the TRIPS Agreement and of relations between WTO, WIPO and UPOV.
- 40. On April 19, the Vice Secretary-General gave a dinner in Rome for Dr. Geoffrey Hawtin, Director General of the International Plant Genetic Resources Institute (IPGRI), and officials of that Institute together with Mr. Bill Whitmore, President of the UPOV Council, and Mr. Joël Guiard, Chairman of the Technical Committee of UPOV, at which the potential for cooperation between UPOV and IPGRI was discussed.
- 41. From April 23 to 25, the Vice Secretary-General participated in an observer capacity in the second extraordinary session of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture in Rome.
- 42. On April 26, the Secretary-General received from the hands of the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Denmark in Geneva, Denmark's instrument of ratification of the 1991 Act of the UPOV Convention.

- 43. On May 1, the Vice Secretary-General received the visits of Mrs. Raushan T. Alshymbaeva, Deputy Chairman, National Patent Office of Kazakhstan, and of Mr. Roman Omorov, Head of the General Department of Intellectual Property of the Kyrgyz Republic. They discussed arrangements for forthcoming national seminars in their countries.
- 44. On May 10, the Office of the Union wrote to an official of the Ministry of Agriculture in Mexico commenting on the Bill for the protection of plant varieties which was then before the Mexican Congress.
- 45. On May 13, the Vice Secretary-General wrote to Mr. Nikolay Kolev, Head of the Legal Department of the Patent Office of Bulgaria, giving the comments of the Office of the Union on the plant variety protection Bill which was shortly to be presented to the Bulgarian Parliament.
- 46. On May 14, the Vice Secretary-General received the visit of Mr. Mohamed A. Khalil, Counsellor in the office of the Commercial Attaché to the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia at Geneva, who sought information on UPOV.
- 47. On the same day, the Vice Secretary-General wrote to Mr. Ian G. Hunter of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries of Hong Kong with the comments of the Office of the Union on a draft law for the protection of plant varieties in Hong Kong.
- 48. On May 15, the Vice Secretary-General wrote to Dr. Maria José Amstalden Sampaio, Technical Assistant of EMBRAPA/CENARGEN, with suggestions concerning the amendments to the Brazilian Bill that were necessary to bring it into conformity with the 1978 Act of the UPOV Convention.
- 49. From May 20 to 24, the Vice Secretary-General attended the Congresses of the International Federation of the Seed Trade (FIS) and the International Association of Plant Breeders for the Protection of Plant Varieties (ASSINSEL), which were held in Amsterdam.
- 50. On May 29, the Vice Secretary-General and Dr. Walter Rutz, *Regierungsdirektor, Bundessortenamt* (Federal Office of Plant Varieties), Hanover (Germany), held discussions in Bishkek with the State Agency of Intellectual Property of the Kyrgyz Republic on the draft law for the protection of plant varieties of that country. They also met officials in the offices of the President.
- 51. On May 31, the Vice Secretary-General and Dr. Walter Rutz met with Dr. Gani Alimovich Kaliev, President of the Kazak Academy of Agricultural Sciences in Almaty, and with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of Kazpatent, the Patent Office of Kazakhstan, in order to discuss proposals to legislate on the subject of plant variety protection.
- 52. On June 4, the Secretary-General received the instrument of ratification by Israel of the 1991 Act of the UPOV Convention.

- 53. Also on June 4, the Vice Secretary-General visited the State Patent Office of Uzbekistan in Tashkent for discussions with its Director, Mr. Akil A. Azimov, and staff of the office on proposals for legislation.
- 54. On June 11, the Office of the Union wrote to the Director of the Federal Administration for Plant Protection and Veterinary Medicine in the Federal Ministry for the Economy of Yugoslavia with comments on a draft law for the protection of new plant varieties.
- 55. During July the Office of UPOV corresponded with Dr. Sarath Amarasiri, Director General of Agriculture in the Department of Agriculture of Sri Lanka, and agreed in principle to organize a national Seminar in Sri Lanka in 1997.
- 56. On July 22 and 23, two officials of the Union participated in Quito in a meeting of the Subregional Committee for the Protection of Plant Varieties of the countries party to the Cartagena Agreement.
- 57. On July 26, the Secretary-General received the visit of Professor Umek, Minister for Science and Technology, Professor Joze Osterc, Minister for Agriculture, Mrs. Alenka Urbancic, Secretary of State in the Ministry of Agriculture, and Dr. Bojan Pretnar, Director, Intellectual Property Office of Slovenia, and discussed amongst other things the proposals of Slovenia to legislate on plant variety protection,
- 58. On August 8, the Vice Secretary-General and an official of the Office of the Union discussed with officials of WIPO proposals to amend the Bangui Agreement (which establishes the *Organisation africaine de la propriété intellectuelle (OAPI)*), which include provisions for the creation of a system of plant variety protection in OAPI member States.
- 59. On August 13, the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Colombia in Geneva deposited with the Secretary-General the instrument of accession of Colombia to the 1978 Act of the UPOV Convention.
- 60. On September 2 and 3, the Office of the Union discussed and exchanged texts of possible Letters of Agreement to be exchanged between UPOV and WTO establishing a basis for future cooperation between the two Organizations.
- 61. On September 5, the Vice Secretary-General received a visit from Dr. Deborah Lazard, Counsellor of the Director General of the Mexican Institute for Industrial Property (IMPI) and Ms. Patricia Gaytán, Head of the Biotechnology Area of the Patent Department of IMPI, to discuss the patent protection of transgenic plants and the differentiation of plant varieties.
- 62. On September 13, the Vice Secretary-General together with an official of the Union, and with Mr. David Boreham, Controller of the Plant Variety Rights Office in the United Kingdom, and Mr. Ryusuke Yoshimura, Advisor to the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan and Vice-President of the UPOV Council ("the UPOV Seminar team"), met with Mr. A. Benjamin, Additional Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture of India in New Delhi, to discuss plant variety protection.

- 63. On September 17, the Vice Secretary-General and the UPOV Seminar team met the Secretary of the Ministry of Agriculture of Bangladesh, Dr. Sawkat Ali, and other senior officials of the Ministry in Dhaka. They also visited the Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council and met its Executive Chairman, Mr. Sujayet Ullah Chowdhury.
- 64. On September 18, the Vice Secretary-General and the UPOV Seminar team had discussions with Prof. Dr. Nguyen Quang Ha, Vice-Minister for Agriculture and Rural Development in Viet Nam.
- 65. On September 21, the UPOV Seminar team visited a Testing Station of the National Center for Variety Evaluation and Seed Certification near Hanoi.
- 66. On September 23 and 24, the Vice Secretary-General participated in a Workshop on Plant Breeders' Rights Issues in Asia, organized by the Asia and Pacific Seed Association (APSA) with support from the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO). Government representatives from Australia, India, Indonesia, Japan, the Philippines and Thailand participated in the Workshop together with representatives of interested circles both within and outside the region.
- 67. On September 25 and 26, the Vice Secretary-General participated in ASIAN SEED '96, the annual conference of the Asia and Pacific Seed Association (APSA), where he gave a brief address conveying the greetings of UPOV to some 500 participants in the Conference.

V. PUBLICATIONS

- 68. The Office of the Union published:
- (a) updated editions, covering every event affecting the composition of the Union, of the information leaflet on UPOV and plant variety protection in English, French, German, and Spanish;
 - (b) one issue of the periodical "Plant Variety Protection";
- (c) one supplement to the Part I of the "Collection of Important Texts and Documents" in English, French, German and Spanish, and one trilingual supplement to Part II (test guidelines);
- (d) the first disc in the series constituting the UPOV central database, "UPOV-ROM Plant Variety Database";
- (e) the report, in English, on the seminar on the nature of and rationale for the protection of plant varieties under the UPOV Convention which was held in Pretoria (South Africa) from May 3 to 5, 1995;

- (f) the report, in English, on the seminar on the nature of and rationale for the protection of plant varieties under the UPOV Convention which was held in Medan (Indonesia) from December 5 to 7, 1995.
 - 69. The Council is invited to note this report.

[The Annex follows]

ANNEX

MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNION (as of September 30, 1996)

State	Date of Signature ¹	Date of Deposit of Instrument ^{1,2}	Date Upon Which State Became Bound ¹
Argentina	- - -	- November 25, 1994	- December 25, 1994
Australia	- - -	- - February 1, 1989 -	- - March 1, 1989 -
Austria	- - -	- - June 14, 1994 -	- - July 14, 1994 -
Belgium	December 2, 1961 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978 March 19, 1991	November 5, 1976 November 5, 1976	December 5, 1976 February 11, 1977
Canada	- October 31, 1979 March 9, 1992	- - February 4, 1991 -	- - March 4, 1991
Chile	- - -	- - December 5, 1995 -	- - January 5, 1996 -
Colombia	- - -	- - August 13, 1996 -	- - September 13, 1996 -

December 2, 1961

Second line: Additional Act of November 10, 1972

Third line: Act of October 23, 1978 Fourth line: Act of March 19, 1991.

First line: International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants of

of ratification where the State has signed the Convention or the Additional Act, as the case may be; of ratification, acceptance or approval if the State has signed the Act of 1978; of accession where it has not signed the text concerned.

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State	Date of Signature ¹	Date of Deposit of Instrument ^{1,2}	Date Upon Which State Became Bound ¹
Czech Republic ³	- - -	- - - -	- - January 1, 1993 -
Denmark	November 26, 1962 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978 March 19, 1991	September 6, 1968 February 8, 1974 October 8, 1981 April 26, 1996	October 6, 1968 February 11, 1977 November 8, 1981
Finland	- - -	- - March 16, 1993 -	- - April 16, 1993 -
France	December 2, 1961 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978 March 19, 1991	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 March 19, 1991	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 February 21, 1992	- - May 19, 1981 -	- November 8, 1981 -
Israel	- - - October 23, 1991	November 12, 1979 November 12, 1979 April 12, 1984 June 3, 1996	December 12, 1979 December 12, 1979 May 12, 1984
Italy	December 2, 1961 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978 March 19, 1991	June 1, 1977 June 1, 1977 April 28, 1986	July 1, 1977 July 1, 1977 May 28, 1986

Continuation of the accession of Czechoslovakia (instrument deposited on November 4, 1991; State bound on December 4, 1991).

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State	Date of Signature ¹	Date of Deposit of Instrument ^{1,2}	Date Upon Which State Became Bound ¹
Japan	- - October 17, 1979	- - August 3, 1982 -	- September 3, 1982
Mexico (not yet member)	- July 25, 1979	- - - -	- - -
Netherlands	December 2, 1961 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978 March 19, 1991	August 8, 1967 January 12, 1977 August 2, 1984	August 10, 1968 February 11, 1977 September 2, 1984
New Zealand	- July 25, 1979 December 19, 1991	- - November 3, 1980 -	- - November 8, 1981 -
Norway	- - -	- - August 13, 1993 -	- September 13, 1993
Poland	- - -	- - October 11, 1989 -	- - November 11, 1989 -
Portugal		- September 14, 1995	- - October 14, 1995 -
Slovakia ³	- - - -	- - - -	- - January 1, 1993 -
South Africa	- October 23, 1978 March 19, 1991	October 7, 1977 October 7, 1977 July 21, 1981	November 6, 1977 November 6, 1977 November 8, 1981

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State	Date of Signature ¹	Date of Deposit of Instrument ^{1,2}	Date Upon Which State Became Bound ¹
Spain	- - - March 19, 1991	April 18, 1980 April 18, 1980 -	May 18, 1980 May 18, 1980 - -
Sweden	- January 11, 1973 December 6, 1978 December 17, 1991	November 17, 1971 January 11, 1973 December 1, 1982	December 17, 1971 February 11, 1977 January 1, 1983
Switzerland	November 30, 1962 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978 March 19, 1991	June 10, 1977 June 10, 1977 June 17, 1981	July 10, 1977 July 10, 1977 November 8, 1981
Ukraine	- - -	- - October 3, 1995 -	- November 3, 1995
United Kingdom	November 26, 1962 November 10, 1972 October 23, 1978 March 19, 1991	September 17, 1965 July 1, 1980 August 24, 1983	August 10, 1968 July 31, 1980 September 24, 1983
United States of America	- October 23, 1978 October 25, 1991	- November 12, 1980	- - November 8, 1981 -
Uruguay	-	- - October 13, 1994 -	- - November 13, 1994 -

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