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ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE
ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE

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1. On December 12, 2003, Mr. Doug Waterhouse, Registrar, Plant Breeder's Rights, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry of Australia, informed the Office of the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) that he would not be able to continue to serve as Vice-Chair of the Administrative and Legal Committee (CAJ) due to the overlapping of time frames with his election, on October 23, 2003, as Vice-President of the Council of UPOV (hereinafter referred to as the "Council"). The letter of Mr. Waterhouse is reproduced in the Annex to this document.

2. It is therefore recommended to elect a new Vice-Chair of the CAJ for the remaining period of the term of office, starting on April 2, 2004, and ending after the thirty-eighth ordinary session of the Council, on October 21, 2004.

3. *The Council is invited to elect a new Vice-Chair of the CAJ for the remainder of the period as indicated in paragraph 2, above.*

[Annex follows]

ANNEX



Australian Government

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Plant Breeder's Rights

Office of the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants
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CH 1211 Geneve 20

Attention

The Administrative and Legal Committee

Subject: Vice Chairman of the Administrative and Legal Committee

Dear Sir

Following the decision of the Council of UPOV on 23 October 2003 to elect me as Vice President of the Council, I wish to advise the Administrative and Legal Committee (the Committee) that, due to the overlapping time frames, I will no longer be able to continue as the Vice Chairman to the Committee, effective immediately.

I take this opportunity to renew to the Committee, the Office of the Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants and the Vice Secretary-General, assurances of my highest consideration for the efforts of the Union.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Waterhouse'.

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