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INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS

GENEVA

**DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE
ON THE REVISION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS**

Geneva, October 9 to 23, 1978

PROPOSAL FOR THE AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES 31, 32, 32A AND 33

submitted by the Delegation of the Netherlands

- Article 31 and 32

"Signature, Ratification, Acceptance, Approval, Accession"

- (1) This Act shall remain open for signature by any member State of the Union and any other State, which was represented in the Diplomatic Conference adopting this Act, at the Headquarters of the Union at Geneva from until and shall thereafter remain open for accession.
- (2) Any State shall express its consent to be bound by this Act by:
 - a) signature without reservation as to ratification, acceptance or approval;
 - b) the deposit of its instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval if it has signed this Act subject to ratification, acceptance or approval; or
 - c) the deposit of its instrument of accession, subject to the provision of paragraph 4 of this Article.
- (3) The instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession shall be deposited with the Secretary-General who shall be the Depositary.
- (4) Text of Article 32(3), Doc. DC/3.

- Article 32A

"Entry into force"

- (1) (no change)
 - (i) five States have expressed their consent to be bound by this Act, in accordance with Article 31/32
 - (ii) not less than three of the said States are parties to the Convention of 1961 as amended by the Additional Act of 1972.
- (2) In respect of any State expressing its consent to be bound by this Act after the conditions referred to in paragraph (1) etc.

(3) After the entry into force of this Act in accordance with paragraph (1), no State may accede etc.

- Article 33

"Communications.....etc."

(1) When expressing its consent to be bound by this Act, each State which is not a member State of the Union shall notify the Secretary-General..... etc.

(2) (no change).

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