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INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS
GENEVA

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Forty-Fourth Session
Geneva, April 7 to 9, 2008

DRAFT AGENDA

prepared by the Office of the Union

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Report on developments in UPOV including relevant matters discussed in the last sessions of the Administrative and Legal Committee, the Consultative Committee and the Council (oral report by the Vice Secretary-General)
4. Progress reports on the work of the Technical Working Parties, including the Working Group on Biochemical and Molecular Techniques, and DNA-Profiling in Particular (BMT), and the *Ad Hoc* Crop Subgroups on Molecular Techniques (documents TWA/36/10, TWC/25/20, TWF/38/9, TWO/40/10, TWV/41/13, BMT-TWA/Potato/2/7, BMT-TWO/Rose/2/6, BMT-TWA/Maize/2/12 and oral reports by the Chairpersons)
5. Matters arising from the Technical Working Parties (document TC/44/3)

The session will take place at the headquarters of UPOV (34, chemin des Colombettes, Geneva, Switzerland). It will open on April 7, 2008, at 2.30 p.m. and close on April 9, 2008, at 6 p.m.

6. TGP documents (document TC/44/5)

(a) *TGP documents to which the Technical Committee has given highest priority:*

TGP/4: Constitution and Maintenance of Variety Collections
(document TC/44/5)

TGP/10: Examining Uniformity (document TGP/10/1 Draft 9)

(b) *Revision of TGP documents:*

TGP/5: Experience and Cooperation in DUS Testing

Introduction Draft 2: Introduction

Section 1/2 Draft 5: Model Administrative Agreement for International
Cooperation in the Testing of Varieties

Section 2/2 Draft 5: UPOV Model Form for the Application for
Plant Breeders' Rights

Section 4/2 Draft 5: UPOV Model Form for the Designation of the
Sample of the Variety

Section 5/2 Draft 5: UPOV Request for Examination Results and UPOV
Answer to the Request for Examination Results

Section 6/2 Draft 5: UPOV Report on Technical Examination and UPOV
Variety Description

Section 7/2 Draft 5: UPOV Interim Report on Technical Examination

Section 11/1 Draft 3: Examples of Policies and Contracts for Material
Submitted by the Breeder

(c) *Other TGP documents:*

TGP/8: Use of Statistical Procedures in DUS Testing
(document TGP/8/1 Draft 9)

TGP/11: Examination of Stability (document TGP/11/1 Draft 4)

TGP/12: Special Characteristics (document TGP/12/1 Draft 4)

TGP/13: Guidance for New Types and Species (document TGP/13/1 Draft 11)

TGP/14: Glossary of Technical, Botanical and Statistical Terms Used in UPOV
Documents (document TGP/14/1 Draft 5)

7. UPOV information databases (document TC/44/6)

8. Molecular techniques (documents TC/44/7 and BMT Guidelines (proj.11))
9. Variety denominations (document TC/44/8)
10. Publication of variety descriptions (document TC/44/9)
11. Preparatory workshops (document TC/44/10)
12. Applications covering a combination of lines (document TC/44/11)
13. Test Guidelines (document TC/44/2)
14. List of genera and species for which authorities have practical experience in the examination of distinctness, uniformity and stability (document TC/44/4)
15. Program for the forty-fifth session
16. Adoption of the report on the conclusions^{*}
17. Closing of the session

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^{*} If time permits