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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

 The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of proposals concerning possible future revisions of TGP documents.

 The TC-EDC is invited to note:

 (a) the matters for possible future revision of TGP documents considered by the TWPs at their sessions in 2016, as set out in paragraph 6 of this document;

 (b) the new proposals for future revisions of TGP documents, as set out in paragraphs 7 and 8 of this document;

 (c) that no TGP documents are expected to be put forward for adoption by the Council in 2017 requiring editorial or linguistic checking by the TC‑EDC;

 (d) the program for the development of TGP  documents, as set out in the Annex to this document.

 The following abbreviations are used in this document:

CAJ: Administrative and Legal Committee

TC: Technical Committee

TC-EDC: Enlarged Editorial Committee

TWA: Technical Working Party for Agricultural Crops

TWC: Technical Working Party on Automation and Computer Programs

TWF: Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops

TWO: Technical Working Party for Ornamental Plants and Forest Trees

TWV: Technical Working Party for Vegetables

TWPs: Technical Working Parties

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ANNEX: Program for the development of TGP documents

# I. BACKGROUND

 The approved TGP documents are published on the UPOV website at <http://www.upov.int/upov_collection/en/>.

# iI. POSSIBLE Future RevisionS of TGP Documents

 The TC, at its fifty-second session, agreed that the following matters for possible future revision of TGP documents should be considered by the TWPs at their sessions in 2016 (see document TC/52/29 Rev. “Revised Report”, paragraphs 96 to 121):

## TGP/7: Development of Test Guidelines

### (i) Drafter’s Kit for Test Guidelines

## TGP/8: Trial Design and Techniques Used in the Examination of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability

### (ii) The Combined-Over-Years Uniformity Criterion (COYU)

### (iii) New Section: Examining DUS in Bulk Samples

### (iv) New Section: Data Processing for the Assessment of Distinctness and for Producing Variety Descriptions

## TGP/10: Examining uniformity

### (v) New section: Assessing Uniformity by Off-Types on Basis of More than One Growing Cycle or on the Basis of Sub-Samples

# III. NEW PROPOSALS FOR FUTURE REVISIONS OF tgp documents

## TGP/7: Development of Test Guidelines

### Duration of DUS tests in the fruit sector

 The TC, at its fifty-second session, agreed to consider whether to seek to amend the guidance in document TGP/7 on the duration of DUS testing for fruit crops after further discussions by the TWF, at its session in 2016. In that regard, it requested the TWF to review whether the existing guidance in TGP documents precluded the conclusion of a DUS examination after one growing cycle (see document TC/52/29 Rev. “Revised Report”, paragraph 122).

## TGP/14: Glossary of Terms Used in UPOV Documents

### Definition of “recurved”

 The TC, at its fifty-second session, noted the plans of the TWF to consider whether to propose to revise the definition of “recurved” in document TGP/14.

# IV. PROGRAM FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TGP DOCUMENTS

 The Annex to this document presents the program for the development of TGP documents as agreed by the TC, as its fifty-second session, and the CAJ, at its seventy-third session (see document TC/52/29 Rev. “Revised Report”, paragraphs 124 and 125, and document CAJ/73/10 “Report on the Conclusions”, paragraph 53, respectively).

 In accordance with the program for the development of TGP documents, there are no matters anticipated to be put forward by the TC for adoption by the Council in 2017 which would require editorial or linguistic checking by the TC-EDC.

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