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INTERACTIVE ACCESS TO INTERNATIONAL DATA

Suggestion of the Technical Working Party
on Automation and Computer Programs
prepared by experts from the United Kingdom
and comments to those suggestions by experts from Denmark

(Originals)

From: Technical Working Party for Automation and Computer Programs (TWC)
To: Technical Committee (TC)

INTERACTIVE ACCESS TO INTERNATIONAL DATA

At the meeting of the Technical Working Party for Automation and Computer Programs held in Madrid in May 1989, the subject of access to international data was discussed. (See TWC/VII/5).

Technical developments in relational databases and in international communications networks now provide the possibility for statutory authorities to access live databases in other countries. Decisions need to be made about the sort of data which each country should make available to authorised users from other countries.

The Technical Working Party considered this problem and suggested that the following administrative data could be made available:-

Plant Breeders Rights and National Lists of varieties

Applications received, variety denominations, withdrawals, decisions, variety names granted, synonyms, species code, application number, breeders reference, applicants address, agent details, status, dates, proposed and actual termination of grants and deletions.

Technical data on accepted varieties could include that relating to variety descriptions reports of plant breeders rights and experimental data.

It is hoped that the Technical Committee will discuss this proposal and agree a common basis for the availability of international data.



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Dear Madam,

Re: Interactive Access to International Data

With reference to your letter of 7. August 1989 we send you enclosed our comments to the paragraph:

Plant Breeders' Rights and National lists of Varieties.

The first part concerning administration etc. can simply be solved through information from the national gazettes.

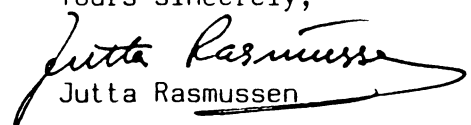
The second part concerning technical data affords problems for instance for Denmark as regards:

1. Which language to be used (should be the same for alle countries)
2. Cooperation agreements with other countries with respect to the period from termination of the testing to release of a variety.

In Denmark it is a set rule that in this period all technical data are confidential i.e. only the owner can make use of his own results.

We hope these remarks clarify our attitude adequately.

Yours sincerely,


Jutta Rasmussen