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**TECHNICAL WORKING PARTY
FOR
FRUIT CROPS****Thirty-First Session
Budapest, July 3 to 7, 2000****SUGGESTIONS FOR THE REVISION OF THE TEST GUIDELINES FOR AVOCADO
(*Persia americana* Mill.)***Document prepared by experts from Mexico*

Suggestion from Mexico for the revision of the Test Guidelines for Avocado

Experts from Mexico suggest make the following revision of the Test Guidelines for Avocado (TG/97/3) in the Table of Characteristics:

Characteristic 68, **Seed: polyembryony**. It should be changed to **Seed: multiple sprouting** that it is confused with polyembryony (Traub and Autcher, 1933, Proc. Amer. Soc. Hort. Sci.; Salazar and Borys, 1983. California Avocado Society Yearbook) that is a rare phenomenon in Avocado (see Schroeder, C.A., 1944. Multiple embryos in the avocado. Journal of Heredity 35(1): 208-210; annex copy).

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| 68. Seed: polyembryony | Noyau: polyembryonie | Kern: Polyembryonie | | | |
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