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COMMENTS ON DRAFT TEST GUIDELINES FOR COFFEE  
BY THE TECHNICAL WORKING PARTY FOR AGRICULTURAL CROPS

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1. At its at its thirty-fifth session, held in Beijing, China, from July 3 to 7, 2006, the Technical Working Party for Agricultural Crops (TWA) commented on the draft Test Guidelines for Coffee, document TG/COFFEE(proj.4). In the time between the TWA session and the thirty-seventh session of the Technical Working Party for Fruit Crops (TWF) it was not possible to incorporate the comments of the TWA into a new draft of the Test Guidelines. Therefore, the TWF is invited to consider the same draft as that presented to the TWA. It has been necessary to change the reference of the document to TG/COFFEE(proj.4 Rev.) because of the change to the cover page indicating that the draft will be considered by the TWF at its thirty-seventh session.
2. The comments of the TWA concerning document TG/COFFEE(proj.4) were as follows:

3.5	to delete "Varieties resulting from crossing:"
4.2.4	to check the types of hybrids and method of propagation of the parents before proposing an approach for uniformity
5.3	to consider if further characteristics should be included
Char. 9	to provide photographs of the full range of variation in shape and to review the number of states accordingly
Char. 11	to read "Leaf: undulation of margin" and state 1 to read "absent or weak"
Char. 12	(+) to be added with illustration, or example varieties to be provided

Char. 13	(+) to be added with illustration. To check if it is a qualitative characteristic.
Char. 14	to read "Leaf: hairiness of domatia"
Char. 15	to have the states: few (3); medium (5); many (7)
Char. 16	to have the states: fully self-compatible (1); partially compatible (2); fully self-incompatible (3). To provide the percentage range of compatibility for each state and to check if it is a qualitative characteristic.
Char. 18	to provide improved illustrations and to have the states: narrow elliptic (1); medium elliptic (2); round (3)
Char. 22	example varieties to be provided
Char. 25	to check if a qualitative characteristic and, if not, to provide at least 3 states
Char. 26	example varieties to be provided
Char. 30	to check if characteristic is needed
Chapter 8.2	missing explanations and illustrations to be provided
Ad. 21	to provide explanation (not illustration)
Ad. 25	photographs (not illustrations) to be provided
9.	literature to be provided
TQ 4.2	to be provided
TQ 5	to be provided
TQ 6	to have the example Fruit: color / yellow / orange red
TQ 7.3	to check whether to delete

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