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GUIDELINES

FOR THE CONDUCT OF TESTS

FOR DISTINCTNESS, UNIFORMITY AND STABILITY

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<i>Botanical name</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>German</i>	<i>Spanish</i>
<i>Fortunella Swingle</i> <i>Citrus japonica</i> Thunb.	Kumquat	Kumquat	Kumquat	Kumquat

The purpose of these guidelines ("Test Guidelines") is to elaborate the principles contained in the General Introduction (document TG/1/3), and its associated TGP documents, into detailed practical guidance for the harmonized examination of distinctness, uniformity and stability (DUS) and, in particular, to identify appropriate characteristics for the examination of DUS and production of harmonized variety descriptions.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

These Test Guidelines should be read in conjunction with the General Introduction and its associated TGP documents.

* These names were correct at the time of the introduction of these Test Guidelines but may be revised or updated. [Readers are advised to consult the UPOV Code, which can be found on the UPOV Website (www.upov.int), for the latest information.]

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1. Subject of these Test Guidelines

These Test Guidelines apply to all varieties of *Fortunella* Swingle.

2. Material Required

2.1 The competent authorities decide on the quantity and quality of the plant material required for testing the variety and when and where it is to be delivered. Applicants submitting material from a State other than that in which the testing takes place must ensure that all customs formalities and phytosanitary requirements are complied with.

2.2 The material is to be supplied in the form of budsticks with sufficient buds to propagate 5 trees (to be sent at budding time), dormant shoots grafted on a rootstock selected by the testing authority or one-year-old trees grafted on a rootstock selected by the testing authority.

2.3 The minimum quantity of plant material, to be supplied by the applicant, should be:

5 budsticks, or
5 dormant shoots or,
5 one-year-old trees.

2.4 The plant material supplied should be visibly healthy, not lacking in vigor, nor affected by any important pest or disease.

2.5 The plant material should not have undergone any treatment which would affect the expression of the characteristics of the variety, unless the competent authorities allow or request such treatment. If it has been treated, full details of the treatment must be given.

3. Method of Examination

3.1 *Number of Growing Cycles*

3.1.1 The minimum duration of tests should normally be two independent growing cycles.

3.1.2 In particular, it is essential that the trees produce a satisfactory crop of fruit in each of the two growing cycles.

3.1.3 The growing cycle is considered to be the duration of a single growing season, beginning with bud burst, flowering and fruit harvest and concluding when the following dormant period ends with the swelling of new season buds.

3.2 *Testing Place*

Tests are normally conducted at one place. In the case of tests conducted at more than one place, guidance is provided in TGP/9 "Examining Distinctness".

3.3 *Conditions for Conducting the Examination*

The tests should be carried out under conditions ensuring satisfactory growth for the expression of the relevant characteristics of the variety and for the conduct of the examination. Trees should only be pruned in the year of planting to ensure good branch formation.

3.4 *Test Design*

3.4.1 Each test should be designed to result in a total of at least 5 trees.

3.4.2 The design of the tests should be such that plants or parts of plants may be removed for measurement or counting without prejudice to the observations which must be made up to the end of the growing cycle."

3.5 *Additional Tests*

Additional tests, for examining relevant characteristics, may be established.

4. Assessment of Distinctness, Uniformity and Stability

4.1 *Distinctness*

4.1.1 General Recommendations

It is of particular importance for users of these Test Guidelines to consult the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding distinctness. However, the following points are provided for elaboration or emphasis in these Test Guidelines.

4.1.2 Consistent Differences

The differences observed between varieties may be so clear that more than one growing cycle is not necessary. In addition, in some circumstances, the influence of the environment is not such that more than a single growing cycle is required to provide assurance that the differences observed between varieties are sufficiently consistent. One means of ensuring that a difference in a characteristic, observed in a growing trial, is sufficiently consistent is to examine the characteristic in at least two independent growing cycles.

4.1.3 Clear Differences

Determining whether a difference between two varieties is clear depends on many factors, and should consider, in particular, the type of expression of the characteristic being examined, i.e. whether it is expressed in a qualitative, quantitative, or pseudo-qualitative manner. Therefore, it is important that users of these Test Guidelines are familiar with the recommendations contained in the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding distinctness.

4.1.4 Number of Plants / Parts of Plants to be Examined

Unless otherwise indicated, for the purposes of distinctness, all observations on single plants should be made on 5 plants or parts taken from each of 5 plants and any other observations made on all plants in the test, disregarding any off-type plants. In the case of observations of parts taken from single plants, the number of parts to be taken from each of the plants should be 2.

4.1.5 Method of Observation

The recommended method of observing the characteristic for the purposes of distinctness is indicated by the following key in the second column of the Table of Characteristics (see document TGP/9 "Examining Distinctness", Section 4 "Observation of characteristics"):

MG: single measurement of a group of plants or parts of plants

MS: measurement of a number of individual plants or parts of plants

VG: visual assessment by a single observation of a group of plants or parts of plants

VS: visual assessment by observation of individual plants or parts of plants

Type of observation: visual (V) or measurement (M)

"Visual" observation (V) is an observation made on the basis of the expert's judgment. For the purposes of this document, "visual" observation refers to the sensory observations of the experts and, therefore, also includes smell, taste and touch. Visual observation includes observations where the expert uses reference points (e.g. diagrams, example varieties, side-by-side comparison) or non-linear charts (e.g. color charts). Measurement (M) is an objective observation against a calibrated, linear scale e.g. using a ruler, weighing scales, colorimeter, dates, counts, etc.

Type of record: for a group of plants (G) or for single, individual plants (S)

For the purposes of distinctness, observations may be recorded as a single record for a group of plants or parts of plants (G), or may be recorded as records for a number of single, individual

plants or parts of plants (S). In most cases, "G" provides a single record per variety and it is not possible or necessary to apply statistical methods in a plant-by-plant analysis for the assessment of distinctness."

In cases where more than one method of observing the characteristic is indicated in the Table of Characteristics (e.g. VG/MG), guidance on selecting an appropriate method is provided in document TGP/9, Section 4.2.

4.2 *Uniformity*

4.2.1 It is of particular importance for users of these Test Guidelines to consult the General Introduction prior to making decisions regarding uniformity. However, the following points are provided for elaboration or emphasis in these Test Guidelines:

4.2.2 For the assessment of uniformity, a population standard of 1% and an acceptance probability of at least 95% should be applied. In the case of a sample size of 5 plants, no off-types are allowed.

4.3 *Stability*

4.3.1 In practice, it is not usual to perform tests of stability that produce results as certain as those of the testing of distinctness and uniformity. However, experience has demonstrated that, for many types of variety, when a variety has been shown to be uniform, it can also be considered to be stable.

4.3.2 Where appropriate, or in cases of doubt, stability may be further examined by testing a new plant stock to ensure that it exhibits the same characteristics as those shown by the initial material supplied."

5. Grouping of Varieties and Organization of the Growing Trial

5.1 The selection of varieties of common knowledge to be grown in the trial with the candidate varieties and the way in which these varieties are divided into groups to facilitate the assessment of distinctness are aided by the use of grouping characteristics.

5.2 Grouping characteristics are those in which the documented states of expression, even where produced at different locations, can be used, either individually or in combination with other such characteristics: (a) to select varieties of common knowledge that can be excluded from the growing trial used for examination of distinctness; and (b) to organize the growing trial so that similar varieties are grouped together.

5.3 The following have been agreed as useful grouping characteristics:

- (a) Fruit: weight (characteristic 20)
- (b) Fruit: shape (characteristic 21)
- (c) Fruit: color of skin (characteristic 22)
- (d) Time of beginning of fruit ripening (characteristic 31)

5.4 Guidance for the use of grouping characteristics, in the process of examining distinctness, is provided through the General Introduction and document TGP/9 "Examining Distinctness".

6. Introduction to the Table of Characteristics

6.1 *Categories of Characteristics*

6.1.1 Standard Test Guidelines Characteristics

Standard Test Guidelines characteristics are those which are approved by UPOV for examination of DUS and from which members of the Union can select those suitable for their particular circumstances.

6.1.2 Asterisked Characteristics

Asterisked characteristics (denoted by *) are those included in the Test Guidelines which are important for the international harmonization of variety descriptions and should always be examined for DUS and included in the variety description by all members of the Union, except when the state of expression of a preceding characteristic or regional environmental conditions render this inappropriate.

6.2 States of Expression and Corresponding Notes

6.2.1 States of expression are given for each characteristic to define the characteristic and to harmonize descriptions. Each state of expression is allocated a corresponding numerical note for ease of recording of data and for the production and exchange of the description.

6.2.2 In the case of qualitative and pseudo-qualitative characteristics (see Chapter 6.3), all relevant states of expression are presented in the characteristic. However, in the case of quantitative characteristics with 5 or more states, an abbreviated scale may be used to minimize the size of the Table of Characteristics. For example, in the case of a quantitative characteristic with 9 states, the presentation of states of expression in the Test Guidelines may be abbreviated as follows:

State	Note
small	3
medium	5
large	7

However, it should be noted that all of the following 9 states of expression exist to describe varieties and should be used as appropriate:

State	Note
very small	1
very small to small	2
small	3
small to medium	4
medium	5
medium to large	6
large	7
large to very large	8
very large	9

6.2.3 Further explanation of the presentation of states of expression and notes is provided in document TGP/7 "Development of Test Guidelines".

6.3 Types of Expression

An explanation of the types of expression of characteristics (qualitative, quantitative and pseudo-qualitative) is provided in the General Introduction.

6.4 Example Varieties

Where appropriate, example varieties are provided to clarify the states of expression of each characteristic.

6.5 *Legend*

- (*) Asterisked characteristic – see Chapter 6.1.2
- QL Qualitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3
- QN Quantitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3
- PQ Pseudo-qualitative characteristic – see Chapter 6.3

- MG, MS, VG, VS – see Chapter 4.1.5

- (a)-(f) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.1

- (+) See Explanations on the Table of Characteristics in Chapter 8.2.

7. Table of Characteristics/Tableau des caractères/Merkmalstabelle/Tabla de caracteres

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
1. MG	Ploidy					
(+)						
QL	(a) diploid					2
	triploid					3
	tetraploid					4
2. VG	Plant: growth habit					
(*)						
(+)						
PQ	(b) upright				Meiwa	1
	semi upright					2
	spreading					3
3. VG	Plant: density of branches					
(*)						
QN	(b) sparse				Tetraploid-Meiwa	3
	medium					5
	dense				Meiwa	7
4. VG/	One-year-old shoot: length					
(*)						
MS						
QN	(c) short				Nagami	3
	medium				Meiwa	5
	long					7
5. VG/	One-year-old shoot: thickness					
(*)						
MS						
QN	(c) thin					1
	medium				Nagami	3
	thick				Meiwa	5
6. VG/	One-year-old shoot: length of internode					
(*)						
MS						
QN	(c) short				Nagami	3
	medium				Meiwa	5
	long					7

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
7. VG (*)	One-year-old shoot: number of spines					
QN (c)	absent or very few				Nagami, Fukushu	1
	few				Marumi	3
	medium				Meiwa	5
	many					7
8. VG/MS (*)	Leaf blade: length					
QN (c)	short				Meiwa	3
	medium					5
	long				Nagami	7
9. VG/MS (*)	Leaf blade: width					
QN (d)	narrow				Meiwa	1
	medium					3
	broad				Fukushu	5
10. MS (*)	Leaf blade: ratio length/width					
QN (d)	very elongated					1
	moderately elongated					2
	slightly elongated					3
11. VG (*) (+)	Leaf blade: shape					
PQ (d)	lanceolate				Nagami	1
	elliptic				Meiwa	2
	broad elliptic				Fukushu	3
12. VG (*) (+)	Leaf blade: shape of apex					
PQ (d)	acute					1
	acuminate				Meiwa	2
	obtuse				Fukushu	3

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
13.	VG	Leaf blade: shape of base				
(*)						
(+)						
PQ	(d)	acute			Nagami	1
		right angle or nearly right angle			Meiwa	2
		obtuse			Fukushu	3
14.	VG	Leaf blade: undulation of margin				
(*)						
QN	(d)	weak			Meiwa	1
		medium				2
		strong				3
15.	VG/ MS	Leaf: length of petiole				
(*)						
QN	(d)	short			Meiwa, Fukushu	1
		medium				3
		long				5
16.	VG/ MS	Flower: diameter				
(*)						
(+)						
QN	(e)	small			Meiwa	1
		medium				3
		large				5
17.	MS	Flower: number of filaments				
(*)						
QN	(e)	few			Nagami	1
		medium			Meiwa	3
		many				5
18.	VG/ MS	Fruit: length				
(*)						
QN	(f)	short				1
		medium			Meiwa	3
		long			Nagami	5

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
19.	VG/MS	Fruit: diameter				
QN	(f)	small			Marumi	1
		medium				3
		large			Fukushu	5
20.	MG	Fruit: weight				
QN	(f)	light			Nagami	3
		medium			Meiwa	5
		heavy				7
21.	VG	Fruit: shape				
(*)						
(+)						
PQ	(f)	elliptic			Meiwa	1
		round			Marumi	2
		obovate			Fukushu, Nagami	3
22.	VG	Fruit: color of skin				
(*)						
PQ	(f)	yellowish orange			Nagami	1
		orange			Meiwa	2
		dark orange				3
23.	VG/MS	Fruit: thickness of skin				
(*)						
(+)						
QN	(f)	thin			Marumi	1
		medium			Meiwa	3
		thick				5
24.	MG	Fruit: sweetness of flesh				
(*)						
(+)						
QN	(f)	low			Nagami	3
		medium			Meiwa	5
		high				7

	English	français	deutsch	español	Example Varieties Exemples Beispielssorten Variedades ejemplo	Note/ Nota
25.	MG	Fruit: acidity of flesh				
(*)						
(+)						
QN	(f)	low				3
		medium			Meiwa	5
		high			Nagami	7
26.	MG	Fruit: sweetness of skin				
(*)						
(+)						
QN	(f)	low				3
		medium			Meiwa	5
		high				7
27.	VG	Fruit: juiciness				
(*)						
QN	(f)	low				3
		medium			Meiwa	5
		high				7
28.	MS	Fruit: number of fully developed seeds				
(*)						
QN	(f)	none or very few				1
		few			Marumi	2
		medium				3
29.	VG	Seed: embryony				
(*)						
QL	(f)	monoembryonic			Meiwa	1
		polyembryonic			Nagami	2
30.	VG	Time of beginning of flowering				
QN	(e)	early				3
		medium				5
		late				7
31.	VG	Time of beginning of fruit ripening				
(*)						
QN	(f)	early				3
		medium			Meiwa	5
		late				7

8. Explanations on the Table of Characteristics

8.1 *Explanations covering several characteristics*

Characteristics containing the following key in the second column of the Table of Characteristics should be examined as indicated below:

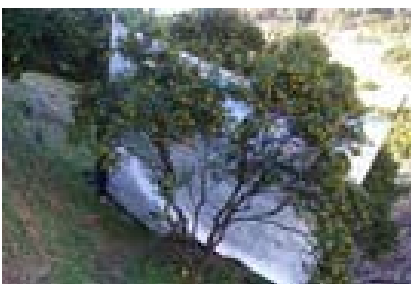
- (a) Observations should be made at physiological ripeness.
- (b) Plant: All observations on the plant should be made in the winter season
- (c) One-year-old shoot: All observations on the one-year-old shoot should be made on moderate shoots at the equatorial part of outer side of the plant.
- (d) Leaf blade: All observations on the leaf blade should be made on fully developed leaves. Leaves should be taken from the middle third of one-year-old shoots.
- (e) Flower: All observations on the flower should be made on the primary flowers.
- (f) Fruit: All observations on the fruit should be made on the first fruit.

8.2 *Explanations for individual characteristics*

Ad. 1: Ploidy

Ploidy is determined by counting chromosomes or by flow cytometry.

Ad. 2: Plant: growth habit



1
upright



2
semi upright



3
spreading

Ad. 11: Leaf blade: shape



1
lanceolate



2
elliptic



3
broad elliptic

Ad. 12: Leaf blade: shape of apex



1
acute



2
acuminate



3
obtuse

Ad. 13: Leaf blade: shape of base



1
acute

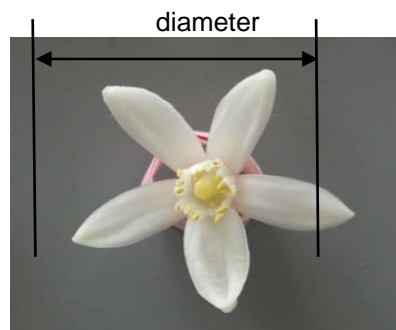


2
right angle or nearly right angle






3
obtuse

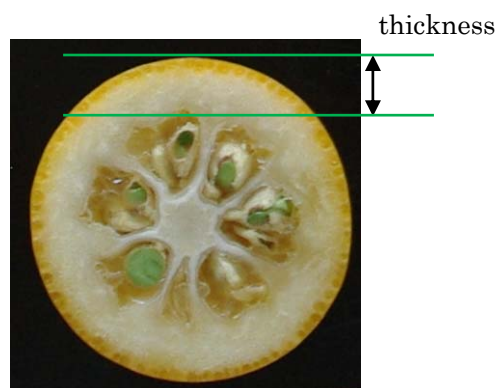
Ad. 16: Flower: diameter



Ad. 21: Fruit: shape

		ratio diameter/height	
		elongated	medium
towards top	broadest part	 1 elliptic	 2 round
	at middle	 3 obovate	

Ad. 23: Fruit: thickness of skin



Ad. 24: Fruit: sweetness of flesh

The sweetness should be determined by refractometer.

Ad. 25: Fruit: acidity of flesh

The acidity should be determined by titratable acidity.

Ad. 26: Fruit: sweetness of skin

The sweetness of skin should be determined juice from peeled skin at the middle part of fruit by refractometer.

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10. Technical Questionnaire

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE	Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
		Application date: (not to be filled in by the applicant)
TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE to be completed in connection with an application for plant breeders' rights		
1. Subject of the Technical Questionnaire		
1.1 Botanical name	<input type="text" value="Fortunella Swingle"/>	
1.2 Common name	<input type="text" value="Kumquat"/>	
2. Applicant		
Name	<input type="text"/>	
Address	<input type="text"/>	
Telephone No.	<input type="text"/>	
Fax No.	<input type="text"/>	
E-mail address	<input type="text"/>	
Breeder (if different from applicant)	<input type="text"/>	
3. Proposed denomination and breeder's reference		
Proposed denomination (if available)	<input type="text"/>	
Breeder's reference	<input type="text"/>	

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#4. Information on the breeding scheme and propagation of the variety

4.1 Breeding scheme

Variety resulting from:

4.1.1 Crossing

(a) controlled cross []
(please state parent varieties)

(.....) x (.....)
female parent male parent

(b) partially known cross []
(please state known parent variety(ies))

(.....) x (.....)
female parent male parent

(c) unknown cross []

4.1.2 Mutation []
(please state parent variety)

[]

4.1.3 Discovery and development []
(please state where and when discovered and how developed)

[]

4.1.4 Other []
(please provide details)"

[]

Authorities may allow certain of this information to be provided in a confidential section of the Technical Questionnaire.

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4.2 Method of propagating the variety

4.2.1 Vegetative propagation

- (a) cuttings
- (b) *in vitro* propagation
- (c) other (state method)

4.2.2 Seed

4.2.3 Other
(please provide details)"

TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE		Page {x} of {y}	Reference Number:
5. Characteristics of the variety to be indicated (the number in brackets refers to the corresponding characteristic in Test Guidelines; please mark the note which best corresponds).			
Characteristics	Example Varieties	Note	
5.1 Fruit: weight (20)			
very light		1[]	
very light to light		2[]	
light	Nagami	3[]	
light to medium		4[]	
medium	Meiwa	5[]	
medium to heavy		6[]	
heavy		7[]	
heavy to very heavy		8[]	
very heavy		9[]	
5.2 Fruit: shape (21)			
elliptic	Meiwa	1[]	
round	Marumi	2[]	
obovate	Fukushu, Nagami	3[]	
5.3 Fruit: color of skin (22)			
yellowish orange	Nagami	1[]	
orange	Meiwa	2[]	
dark orange		3[]	
5.4 Time of beginning of fruit ripening (31)			
very early		1[]	
very early to early		2[]	
early		3[]	
early to medium		4[]	
medium	Meiwa	5[]	
medium to late		6[]	
late		7[]	
late to very late		8[]	
very late		9[]	

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6. Similar varieties and differences from these varieties

Please use the following table and box for comments to provide information on how your candidate variety differs from the variety (or varieties) which, to the best of your knowledge, is (or are) most similar. This information may help the examination authority to conduct its examination of distinctness in a more efficient way.

Denomination(s) of variety(ies) similar to your candidate variety	Characteristic(s) in which your candidate variety differs from the similar variety(ies)	Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for the similar variety(ies)	Describe the expression of the characteristic(s) for your candidate variety
<i>Example</i>	<i>Fruit color</i>	<i>orange</i>	<i>dark orange</i>

Comments:

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#7. Additional information which may help in the examination of the variety

7.1 In addition to the information provided in sections 5 and 6, are there any additional characteristics which may help to distinguish the variety?

Yes No

(If yes, please provide details)

7.2 Are there any special conditions for growing the variety or conducting the examination?

Yes No

(If yes, please provide details)

7.3 Other information

What is this variety used for?

Fruit Ornamental

A representative color image of the variety should accompany the Technical Questionnaire.

8. Authorization for release

(a) Does the variety require prior authorization for release under legislation concerning the protection of the environment, human and animal health?

Yes No

(b) Has such authorization been obtained?

Yes No

If the answer to (b) is yes, please attach a copy of the authorization.

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9. Information on plant material to be examined or submitted for examination.

9.1 The expression of a characteristic or several characteristics of a variety may be affected by factors, such as pests and disease, chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardants or pesticides), effects of tissue culture, different rootstocks, scions taken from different growth phases of a tree, etc.

9.2 The plant material should not have undergone any treatment which would affect the expression of the characteristics of the variety, unless the competent authorities allow or request such treatment. If the plant material has undergone such treatment, full details of the treatment must be given. In this respect, please indicate below, to the best of your knowledge, if the plant material to be examined has been subjected to:

- | | | |
|---|---------|--------|
| (a) Microorganisms (e.g. virus, bacteria, phytoplasma) | Yes [] | No [] |
| (b) Chemical treatment (e.g. growth retardant, pesticide) | Yes [] | No [] |
| (c) Tissue culture | Yes [] | No [] |
| (d) Other factors | Yes [] | No [] |

Please provide details for where you have indicated "yes".

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10. I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this form is correct:

Applicant's name

Signature

Date

[Annex I follows]

ANNEX I

COMMENTS FROM AN EXPERT FROM ISRAEL AND ANSWERS FROM DRAFTER

TG/FORTUNELLA COMM 120528

Comments to TG/FORTU(proj. 1)
date: 2011-09-05
with the results of the TWF 2011 in Japan

char 2
Plant: growth habit
To allow for in-between states I propose
upright state 1, semi upright 3, spreading 5

>Please see TGP/14/1 Draft 11, page48 example 1 to 4
Actually your proposal is example 2 on page 48.
I think that in the case of fortunella example 1 is better than example 2.
If it is acceptable for you, I would like to keep original states.

char 3
Plant: density 'of branches'
Should be 'of branching'

>In former session 'branching' was proposed and 'branches' have been kept.
The dictionary which is edited by the Japanese horticulture academy explains that;
'branch' is branch, 'branching' is small branch. Does this explanation suit your understanding? If
'branch' includes whole branches, I think 'branch' is better.

char 10
Leaf blade: ratio length/width
normally we have the states from low to high
this order of very elongated state 1 to
slightly elongated state 3
is the result of the diversion of the use of the simple small to large for ratio

>In this case, could original order be kept?

char 13
Leaf blade: shape of base
right angle
propose to add: 'right angle or nearly right angle'
as lawyers may misunderstand that botany is not mathematics

>I would like to replace by new words of your comment.

char 21
Fruit: shape
add: 'shape in longitudinal section'

>In former session 'shape in longitudinal section' was proposed and 'shape' has been kept.

[Annex II follows]

ANNEX II

ITEMS CHANGED FROM PROJ.1 EXCEPT PARAGRAPH 66 ON TWF/42/26.

Char. 8	to add an example variety: Nagami (7)
Char. 9	to add an example variety: Fukushu (5)
Char. 11	to keep this char. by changing the states and example varieties: lanceolate (1), Nagami; elliptic (2), Meiwa; broad elliptic (3), Fukushu
Char. 12	to change the states and example varieties: acute (1); acuminate (2), Meiwa; obtuse (3), Fukushu
Char. 13	to add an example variety: Fukushu (3)
Char. 14	to be deleted an example variety: Nagami (2)
Char. 15	to add an example variety: Fukushu (1)
Char. 18	to add example varieties: Marumi (3); Nagami (5)
Char. 19	to add example varieties: Marumi (1); Fukushu (5)
Char. 23	to be deleted an example variety: Fukushu (1)
Char. 28	to add an example variety: Meiwa (4)
Ad. 11 to 13	to change pictures according to the states
Ad. 21	to move pictures according to TGP/14/1 Section 2

[End of Annexes and of document]