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1. At the Forty-fourth Session of the Technical Committee, held in Geneva from April 7 to 9, 2008 (see document TC/44/12 "Report on the Conclusions", paragraph 67), "[t]he Delegation of the Republic of Korea reported that it had identified an additional state of expression for characteristic 23 in the Test Guidelines for Onion TG/46/7(proj.5). It was agreed that that development should be considered by the TWV at its session in 2008 but that, in the meantime, the Test Guidelines for Onion should be adopted on the basis of document TG/46/7(proj.5), as amended in Annex II to this document [document TC/44/12]. The TC noted that an additional state of expression could be accommodated by a partial revision of the Test Guidelines at a subsequent TC session."
2. Annex I to this document reproduces characteristics 23 to 25 of document TG/46/7, as adopted by the TC.
3. The Republic of Korea proposes that the state of expression "purple" should be added with the example variety "Boradongi (O)" and be placed after state 7. Pictures of bulbs of the variety "Boradongi" are provided in Annex II to this document.

[Annexes follow]

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ANNEX I

Extract from document TG/46/7(proj.5) adopted by the TC

23.	VG	Bulb/Bulblet: base color of dry skin	
(*)			
PQ	white	La Reine (O), Pompei (O)	1
	grey	Griselle (S)	2
	green		3
	yellow	Zittauer gelbe (O), Creation (S), Golden Gourmet (S), Topper (S)	4
	brown	Valenciana Temprana (O), Delicato(S), Mirage(S), Mikor (S), Pikant (S)	5
	pink	Colorada de Figueras (O), Rox (S), Santé (S)	6
	red	Brunswijker (O), Red Baron (O)	7
24.	VG	<u>Excluding varieties with white dry skin:</u> Bulb/Bulblet:	
(*)		intensity of base color of dry skin	
QN	light		
	medium		
	dark		
25.	VG	Bulb/Bulblet: hue of color of dry skin	
(*)		(in addition to base color)	
PQ	absent	Pompei (O)	1
	greyish		2
	greenish		3
	yellowish	Topper (S)	4
	brownish	Santé (S)	5
	pinkish	Delicato (S)	6
	reddish	Mikor (S), Mirage (S), Pikant (S)	7
	purplish		8

[Annex II follows]



Boradongi (Example variety)



Boradongi (purple)



Redsun (red)

[End of Annex II and of document]