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DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS

Geneva, November 7 to 10, 1972

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

First Report

1. The Credentials Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the Committee," set up by the Conference in accordance with Rules 7(1) and 8 of the Rules of Procedure, held its first meeting on November 7, 1972.
2. The Committee was composed of the representatives of the following States: France, Germany (Federal Republic), Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom.
3. Upon the proposal of the Secretariat, the Committee unanimously elected Mr. S. Mejegaard, Member of the Delegation of Sweden, Chairman.
4. In accordance with the provisions of Rules 4, 5 and 8 of the Rules of Procedure the Committee examined the credentials received by the Secretariat of the Conference.
5. The Committee noted that the representatives of the following States, which had been invited to attend the Conference in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure, were, in terms of Rule 4, paragraphs (1) and (2), of the said Rules, duly empowered to participate in the Conference and were also in possession of full powers for signing the Additional Act to be adopted: Denmark, Germany (Federal Republic), Switzerland, United Kingdom.
6. The Committee recommends that the representatives of the States listed in paragraph 5 of this report be admitted to participate in the work of the Conference and to sign the Additional Act.
7. The Committee noted that the representative of the following State, which had been invited to attend the Conference in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure, was duly empowered, in terms of Rule 4, paragraph (1), of the said Rules, to participate in the Conference: Sweden.
8. The Committee recommends that the representative of Sweden be admitted to participate in the work of the Conference.

9. The Secretariat pointed out that the representatives of the following States had communicated documents which did not meet the conditions set forth in Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure: Belgium, France, Italy, Netherlands.

10. The Committee proposes that the documents referred to in paragraph 9 of this report be accepted as constituting provisional credentials of the representatives of the States listed in that paragraph, subject to eventual compliance with the provisions of Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure, and that in the meantime these representatives be admitted to participate in the work of the Conference and be authorized to sit provisionally with the same rights as the other representatives of the States referred to in Rule 2, paragraph (1) or paragraph (2), as the case may be.

11. The Committee took note of the communications received by the Secretariat or the names of the representatives of the following States which had been invited to take part in the Conference in the capacity of observers in accordance with Rule (3), paragraph (1)(a) of the Rules of Procedure: Austria, Ecuador, Finland, Gabon, Hungary, Ireland, Japan, Lebanon, South Africa, United States of America.

12. The Committee, having noted that a certain number of the States, invited to attend the Conference in accordance with Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure, had not yet sent credentials empowering their representatives to participate in the work of the Conference, expressed the hope that such credentials would be communicated to the Secretariat of the Conference as soon as possible.

13. The Committee decided to authorize its Chairman to report directly to the Conference on such credentials as might be communicated to the Secretariat before the end of the Conference deliberations.

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