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MONTENEGRO ACCEDES TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS

Montenegro deposited its instrument of accession to the UPOV Convention¹ on August 24, 2015, and will become the seventy-third member of the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) on September 24, 2015.

The purpose of UPOV is to provide and promote an effective system of plant variety protection, with the aim of encouraging the development of new varieties of plants, for the benefit of society.

UPOV is an intergovernmental organization based in Geneva.

The members of UPOV are:

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International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants of December 2, 1961, as revised in Geneva on November 10, 1972, on October 23, 1978, and on March 19, 1991.