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FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

**FIRST SESSION OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

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**REPORT ON THE STATUS OF RATIFICATION OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL TREATY**

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## INTRODUCTION

1. The FAO Conference, at its Thirty-first Session in **November 2001**, through Resolution 3/2001, **approved the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture**. In accordance with its Article 25, the Treaty was open for signature at FAO Headquarters, from 3 November 2001 until 4 November 2002.
2. Pursuant to Article 26 of the Treaty, both Members and non-Members of FAO may become Contracting Parties to the Treaty by depositing instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or acceptance with the Director-General of FAO.
3. Ninety days after the deposit of the fortieth instrument had been deposited, the Treaty **entered into force on 29 June 2004**.
4. By Article 28.2 of the Treaty, the Treaty enters into force for depositors on the ninetieth days following the deposit of an instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession. The **98 Contracting Parties** (presented in alphabetical order in *Table 1* and by region in *Table 2*) deposited instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession before, or on 14 March 2006, that is, 90 days before the opening of the first session of the Governing Body. They are therefore the Contracting Parties **at the first session of the Governing Body**.
5. States which deposited their instruments of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession after 14 March 2006 (and before 11 June 2006 when this document was finalized) and which are not Contracting Parties at the first session of the Governing Body are presented in *Table 3*.
6. *Table 4* presents the countries that signed, but not yet ratified, the Treaty.

TABLE 1

## CONTRACTING PARTIES AT THE FIRST SESSION OF THE GOVERNING BODY

<i>Contracting Party</i>	<i>Date of deposit of instrument</i>	<i>Contracting Party</i>	<i>Date of deposit of instrument</i>
Algeria	13/12/2002	El Salvador	09/07/2003
Angola	14/03/2006	Eritrea	10/06/2002
Australia	12/12/2005	Estonia	31/03/2004
Austria	04/11/2005	Ethiopia	18/06/2003
Bangladesh	14/11/2003	European Community	31/03/2004
Benin	24/02/2006	Finland	31/03/2004
Bhutan	02/09/2003	France	11/07/2005
Bulgaria	29/12/2004	Germany	31/03/2004
Cambodia	11/06/2002	Ghana	28/10/2002
Cameroon	19/12/2005	Greece	31/03/2004
Canada	10/06/2002	Guatemala	01/02/2006
Central African Republic	04/08/2003	Guinea	11/06/2002
Chad	14/03/2006	Guinea-Bissau	01/02/2006
Cook Islands	02/12/2004	Honduras	14/01/2004
Congo (Republic of)	14/09/2004	Hungary	04/03/2004
Côte d'Ivoire	25/06/2003	India	10/06/2002
Cuba	16/09/2004	Indonesia	10/03/2006
Cyprus	15/09/2003	Ireland	31/03/2004
Czech Republic	31/03/2004	Italy	18/05/2004
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	16/07/2003	Jamaica	14/03/2006
Democratic Rep. Republic of the Congo	05/06/2003	Jordan	30/05/2002
Denmark	31/03/2004	Kenya	27/05/2003
Ecuador	07/05/2004	Kiribati	13/12/2005
Egypt	31/03/2004	Kuwait	02/09/2003

<i>Contracting Party</i>	<i>Date of deposit of instrument</i>	<i>Contracting Party</i>	<i>Date of deposit of instrument</i>
Latvia	27/05/2004	Peru	05/06/2003
Lao	14/03/2006	Poland	07/02/2005
Lebanon	06/05/2004	Portugal	07/11/2005
Lesotho	21/11/2005	Romania	31/05/2005
Liberia	25/11/2005	Saint Lucia	16/07/2003
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	12/04/2005	Samoa	09/03/2006
Lithuania	21/06/2005	Saudi Arabia	17/10/2005
Luxembourg	31/03/2004	Sierra Leone	20/11/2002
Madagascar	13/03/2006	Slovenia	11/01/2006
Malawi	04/07/2002	Spain	31/03/2004
Malaysia	05/05/2003	Sudan	10/06/2002
Mali	05/05/2005	Sweden	31/03/2004
Maldives	02/03/2006	Switzerland	22/11/2004
Mauritania	11/02/2003	Syrian Arab Republic	26/08/2003
Mauritius	27/03/2003	Trinidad and Tobago	27/10/2004
Myanmar	04/12/2002	Tunisia	08/06/2004
Namibia	07/10/2004	Uganda	25/03/2003
Netherlands	18/11/2005	United Arab Emirates	16/02/2004
Nicaragua	22/11/2002	United Kingdom	31/03/2004
Niger	27/10/2004	United Republic of Tanzania	30/04/2004
Norway	03/08/2004	Uruguay	01/03/2006
Oman	14/07/2004	Venezuela	17/05/2005
Pakistan	02/09/2003	Yemen	01/03/2006
Panama	13/03/2006	Zambia	13/03/2006
Paraguay	03/01/2003	Zimbabwe	05/07/2005

**TABLE 2**  
**CONTRACTING PARTIES AT THE FIRST SESSION**  
**OF THE GOVERNING BODY, BY REGION**

<b>AFRICA</b>		
Angola	Algeria	Benin
Cameroon	Chad	Central Africa Republic
Congo (Republic of)	Côte d'Ivoire	Eritrea
Ethiopia	Ghana	Guinea
Guinea Bissau	Kenya	Lesotho
Liberia	Madagascar	Malawi
Mali	Mauritius	Mauritania
Namibia	Niger	Democratic Rep. of the Congo
Sierra Leone	Tunisia	United Republic of Tanzania
Uganda	Zambia	Zimbabwe
<b>ASIA</b>		
Bangladesh	Bhutan	Cambodia
Democratic Republic of Korea	India	Indonesia
Lao	Malaysia	Maldives
Myanmar	Pakistan	
<b>EUROPE</b>		
Austria	Bulgaria	Cyprus
Czech Republic	Denmark	Estonia
European Community	Finland	France
Germany	Greece	Hungary
Ireland	Italy	Latvia
Lithuania	Luxembourg	Netherlands
Norway	Poland	Portugal
Romania	Slovenia	Spain
Sweden	Switzerland	United Kingdom

<b>LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN</b>		
Cuba	Ecuador	El Salvador
Guatemala	Honduras	Jamaica
Nicaragua	Panama	Paraguay
Peru	Saint Lucia	Trinidad and Tobago
Uruguay	Venezuela	
<b>NEAR EAST</b>		
Egypt	Jordan	Kuwait
Lebanon	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Oman
Saudi Arabia	Sudan	Syrian Arab Republic
United Arab Emirates	Yemen	
<b>NORTH AMERICA</b>		
Canada		
<b>SOUTHWEST PACIFIC</b>		
Australia	Cook Islands	Kiribati
Samoa		

**TABLE 3**  
**COUNTRIES THAT HAVE RATIFIED THE TREATY, BUT ARE NOT YET**  
**CONTRACTING PARTIES AT THE FIRST SESSION OF THE GOVERNING BODY**  
**(as at 11 June 2006)**

<i>Country</i>	<i>Date of deposit of instrument</i>
Brazil	22/05/2006
Burundi	28/04/2006
Djibouti	08/05/2006
Iran, Islamic Republic of	28/04/2006
Sao Tome and Principe	07/04/2006
Seychelles	30/05/2006

**TABLE 4**  
**COUNTRIES THAT HAVE SIGNED, BUT NOT YET RATIFIED THE TREATY**

<i>Country</i>	<i>Date of Signature</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Date of Signature</i>
Argentina	10/6/2002	Morocco	27/03/2002
Belgium	06/06/2002	Nigeria	10/06/2002
Burkina Faso	09/11/2001	Senegal	09/11/2001
Cape Verde	16/10/2002	Serbia and Montenegro	01/10/2002
Chile	04/11/2002	Swaziland	10/06/2002
Colombia	30/10/2002	Thailand	04/11/2002
Costa Rica	10/06/2002	The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	10/06/2002
Dominican Republic	11/06/2002	Togo	04/11/2002
Gabon	10/06/2002	Turkey	04/11/2002
Haiti	09/11/2001	United States of America	01/11/2002
Malta	10/06/2002		
Marshall Islands	13/06/2002		