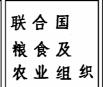


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Item 10 of the Provisional Agenda

INTERNATIONAL TREATY ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

SECOND SESSION OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Rome, Italy, 29 October – 2 November 2007

PROGRESS IN THE INCLUSION OF PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE IN THE MULTILATERAL SYSTEM

PART I

1. Under Article 11.3 of the Treaty Contracting Parties agreed

"to take appropriate measures to encourage natural and legal persons within their jurisdiction who hold plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in Annex I to include such plant genetic resources for food and agriculture in the Multilateral System".

- 2. Since the First Session of the Governing Body, no natural or legal persons have placed their collections that are genetic resources under *Annex 1* of the Treaty, but the Secretariat has received enquiries from a few Contracting Parties and Institutions on the process and requirements for placing their relevant genetic resources into the Multilateral System.
- 3. Additional information related to the inclusion of plant genetic resources in the Multilateral System of the Treaty is available in document IT/GB-2/07/inf.4.

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PART II

4. Under Article 11.4 of the Treaty

"Within two years of the entry into force of the Treaty, the Governing Body shall assess the progress in including the plant genetic resources for food and agriculture referred to in paragraph 11.3 in the Multilateral System. Following this assessment, the Governing Body shall decide whether access shall continue to be facilitated to those natural and legal persons referred to in paragraph 11.3 that have not included these plant genetic resources for food and agriculture in the Multilateral System, or take such other measures as it deems appropriate"

- 5. At its first session, the Governing Body, "<u>decided</u> to defer the assessment of progress in the inclusion of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture held by natural and legal persons in the Multilateral System until its third session".
- 6. The Governing Body may wish to give any further guidance that it considers appropriate for the preparation of such assessment.