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INTERNATIONALER VERBAND ZUM SCHUTZ VON PFLANZENZÜCHTUNGEN UNION INTERNATIONALE POUR LA PROTECTION DES OBTENTIONS VÉGÉTALES INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW PLANT VARIETIES

COUNCIL

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TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE COOPERATION BETWEEN UPOV AND WIPO

Report by the Secretary General

1. The Annex to this document contains the amendments to the Rules on the procedures for technical and administrative cooperation between the Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants and the Unions administered by the United International Bureaux for the Protection of Intellectual Property.

2. The amendments were adopted on August 23, 1973, by the Government of the Swiss Confederation in accordance with Article 25 of the Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants. They are entitled "Procedures for Technical and Administrative Cooperation between the Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants and the World Intellectual Property Organization."

3. The Council is invited to take note of the above.

/Annex follows/

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Procedures for Technical and Administrative Cooperation between the Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants and the World Intellectual Property Organization

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL

<u>Having regard</u> to the Rules on the procedures for technical and administrative cooperation between the Union for the Protection of New Plant Varieties and the Unions administered by the United International Bureaux for the Protection of Intellectual Property, adopted by the Federal Council on October 21, 1969,

<u>Having regard</u> to the Convention Establishing the World Intellectual Property Organization Signed at Stockholm on July 14, 1967, and entered into force on April 26, 1970 (hereinafter referred to as "the WIPO Convention" and "WIPO" respectively), the objective of which is to promote the protection of intellectual property throughout the world through cooperation among States and, where appropriate, in collaboration with any other international organization,

<u>Having regard</u> to Article 4(ii) and (iii) of the WIPO Convention, which enables WIPO to perform the administrative tasks of the Paris Union, the Special Unions established in relation with that Union and the Berne Union, and to assume, or participate in, the administration of any other international agreement designed to promote the protection of intellectual property,

<u>Having regard</u> to Article 21(3)(a) of the WIPO Convention, which provides that the International Bureau of WIPO and the Director General of WIPO shall also function as the United International Bureaux for the Protection of Industrial, Literary and Artistic Property (hereinafter referred to as "BIRPI") and its Director respectively,

Noting the decision of the General Assembly of WIPO approving the participation by WIPO in the administration of the Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants,

Noting that the Council of UPOV has agreed upon establishing technical and administrative cooperation with WIPO as the successor of BIRPI, and that the Council of UPOV has expressed the desire of being able to classify the post of Vice Secretary General of UPOV as grade D/2,

Acting on a proposal of the Federal Political Department,

Adopts

The following Rules:

Article 1

In the application of the above-mentioned Rules on technical and administrative cooperation between UPOV and BIRPI, references to BIRPI and to the Director of BIRPI shall be considered to be references to the International Bureau of WIPO and the Director General of WIPO respectively.

Article 2

Paragraph (2) of Article 6 of the above-mentioned Rules shall read as follows:

"The post of Vice Secretary General shall be classified as grade D/l-D/2, at a step which is to be determined with due regard to the experience of the person appointed."

/End of Annex and of document/