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## ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE

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**MOLECULAR TECHNIQUES** 

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At its fifty-fifth session, held in Geneva on March 29, 2007, the Administrative and Legal Committee (CAJ), received a report on recent developments in UPOV concerning molecular techniques including in particular the discussions in the Consultative Committee and the Technical Committee (TC) (see document CAJ/55/7, paragraphs 32 to 36). Since that session, the <sup>1</sup>Ad Hoc Crop Subgroup on Molecular Techniques (Crop Subgroup) for Potatoes held its second session in Quimper, France, on April 17, 2007 and the Crop Subgroup for Rose held its second session in Angers, France, on April 18, 2007. The reports of those sessions can be found in documents BMT-TWA/Potato/2/7 and BMT-TWO/Rose/2/6, respectively. The Crop Subgroup for Maize will hold its second session in Chicago, United States of America, on December 3, 2007, to coincide with the "Corn & Sorghum and Soybean Seed Research Conference", being organized by the American Seed Trade Association (ASTA).

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