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Geneva, March 26, 2010

DRAFT REPORT ON THE DECISIONS

*prepared by the Office of the Union*Opening of the session

1. The Council of the International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) held its twenty-seventh extraordinary session in Geneva on March 26, 2010, chaired by Mr. Choi Keun Jin (Republic of Korea), President of the Council.
2. The list of participants is reproduced in the Annex to this document.
3. The session was opened by the President who welcomed the participants.
4. The President informed the Council that the Sultanate of Oman had become the sixty-eighth member of the Union on November 22, 2009.

Adoption of the agenda

5. The Council adopted the agenda as proposed in document C(Extr.)/27/1 Rev. after the deletion of item 3 "Report by the President on the work of the seventy-ninth session of the Consultative Committee; adoption of recommendations, if any, prepared by that Committee". The President of the Council noted that there was no need for such a report as the composition of both sessions was the same.

Appointment of the new Vice Secretary-General

6. The Council considered document C(Extr.)/27/2.

7. After consultations led by the President of the Council, and after having sought the agreement of the Secretary-General, the Council reached consensus and appointed Mr. Peter John Button as the new Vice Secretary-General of UPOV for the period from December 1, 2010 to November 30, 2012 at the D-2 level.

8. Noting that that appointment would leave a vacancy at the Director's level (D1) in the Office of the Union and taking into account the level of important services currently under the responsibility of Mr. Raimundo Lavignolle, Senior Counsellor, as well as his exemplary service to the Office, the Council decided, after consultation with the Secretary-General, to promote Mr. Lavignolle to the grade of Director (D1) as of December 1, 2010.

9. The Council expressed its appreciation to the President of the Council for his efforts in reaching consensus. The Secretary-General complimented the spirit of cooperation amongst members of the Union in this process.

[Annex follows]