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ANNEX II: MINIMUM CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED BY
THE CROP IN RESPECT TO VIRUSES AND VARIETAL PURITY

Transmitted by Portugal

Note by the secretariat : The attached paper is based on a proposal from Portugal, which was revised by the bureau meeting in Canada.

Proposed amendments and additions

Annex II

MINIMUM CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED BY THE CROP

Proposal :

The following items should be inserted:

3. The proportion of growing plants showing symptoms of virus diseases shall not exceed:
 - in crop for production of Pre-Basic TC class seed, 0 per cent;
 - in crop for production of Pre-Basic class seed, 0.02 per cent;
 - in crop for production of Basic I class seed, 0.4 per cent with no more than 0.2 per cent of plants showing severe virus disease
 - in crop for production of Basic II class seed, 0.8 per cent with no more than 0.4 per cent of plants showing severe virus disease
 - in crop for production of Certified I class seed, 2 per cent with no more than 1 per cent of plants showing severe virus disease
 - in crop for production of Certified II class seed, 10 per cent virus disease with no more than 2 per cent of plants showing severe virus disease

4. The proportion of growing plants not true to the variety and plants of another variety should not exceed:
 - in crop for production of Pre-Basic TC class seed, 0 per cent
 - in crop for production of Pre-Basic class seed, 0.01 per cent
 - in crop for production of Basic category seed, 0.25 per cent
 - in crop for production of Certified category seed, 0.5 per cent.

Annex IV

MINIMUM CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED BY THE DIRECT PROGENY

2. (a) The proportion, in direct progeny, of plants not true to the variety and of other varieties should not exceed 0.25%.

3. (a) The proportion, in direct progeny, of plants not true to the variety and of other varieties should not exceed 0.5%.