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Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

To the Secretary of the International Treaty
on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
Dr. Kent Nnadozie
FAO Headquarters
Viale delle Terme di Caracalla 1
00153 Rome, Italy

November,22,2016

Subject: Notification regarding additional contribution of Japan to the Multilateral System

Dear Dr. Kent Nnadozie

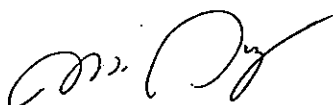
The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Treaty) has established a Multilateral System of Access and Benefit-sharing.

Regarding the coverage of the Multilateral System, Article 11 of the Treaty specifies that the Multilateral System shall include all plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* that are under the management and control of the Contracting Parties and in the public domain.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries on behalf of Japan had notified the inclusion of 17,948 accessions on 18th July 2014 and 12,705 accessions on 18th September 2015. Herewith, we wish to notify you that additional 8,307 of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* and maintained in Japan have been included in the Multilateral System: the collections held by the National Agriculture and Food Research Organization (NARO) Genebank. Through the website of the NARO Genebank (https://www.gene.affrc.go.jp/?db_pl_mls), detailed data on the composition of the collections and user procedures to order samples are readily available.

Germplasm held in the collections listed above (now approx. 40,000 accessions in total) will be made available to users under the conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement of the Treaty.

Yours sincerely,



Masamichi SAIGO

Director General

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To the Secretary of the International Treaty
on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

Dr. Shakeel Bhatti

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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00153 Rome, Italy

September 18, 2015

Subject: notification regarding additional contribution of Japan to the Multilateral System

Dear Dr. Shakeel Bhatti,

The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Treaty) has established a Multilateral System of Access and Benefit-sharing.

Regarding the coverage of the Multilateral System, Article 11 of the Treaty specifies that the Multilateral System shall include all plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* to the Treaty that are under the management and control of the Contracting Parties and in the public domain.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries on behalf of Japan had notified the inclusion of 17,948 accessions on 18th July 2014. Herewith, we wish to notify you that additional 12,705 of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* crops and maintained in Japan have been included in the Multilateral System: the collections held by the National Institute of Agrobiological Sciences (NIAS) Genebank. Through the website of the NIAS Genebank (https://www.gene.affrc.go.jp/?db_pl_mls), detailed data on the composition of the collections and user procedures to order samples are readily available.

Germplasm held in the collections listed above (now approx. 30,000 accessions total) will be made available to users under the conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement of the Treaty.

Yours sincerely,



Masamichi SAIGO

Director General

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To the Secretary of the International Treaty
on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
Mr. Shakeel Bhatti
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00153 Rome, Italy

July 14, 2014

Subject: Notification regarding the contribution of Japan to the Multilateral System

Dear Mr. Bhatti,

The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (the Treaty) has established a Multilateral System of Access and Benefit-sharing.

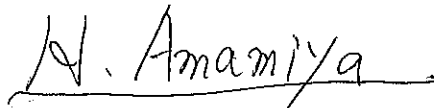
Regarding the coverage of the Multilateral System, Article 11 of the Treaty specifies that the Multilateral System shall include all plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* to the Treaty that are under the management and control of the Contracting Parties and in the public domain.

Herewith, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries wishes to notify you that the following plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* crops and maintained in Japan have been included in the Multilateral System: the collections held by the National Institute of Agrobiological Sciences (NIAS) Genebank. Through the website of the NIAS Genebank (https://www.gene.affrc.go.jp/?db_pl_mls), detailed data on the composition of the collections and user procedures to order samples are readily available.

Germplasm held in the collections listed above will be made available to users under the conditions of the Standard Material Transfer Agreement of the Treaty.

Yours sincerely,

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