



# The International Treaty

## ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE



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### NOTIFICATION

#### Procedures and Operational Mechanisms to Promote Compliance and Address Issues of Non-Compliance

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I have the honour to draw attention to the Third Session of the Governing Body of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture and, in particular, to Resolution 2/2009 "Procedures and Operational Mechanisms to Promote Compliance and Address Issues of Non-Compliance".

Recalling its previous Resolutions 3/2006 and 1/2007<sup>1</sup>, the Governing Body decided to establish and convene, subject to the availability of funds from the Special Fund for Agreed Purposes, an Ad Hoc Working Group on Compliance to negotiate and finalise the procedures and operational mechanisms to promote compliance and address issues of non-compliance, with a view to their approval at the Fourth Session of the Governing Body.

The Ad Hoc Working Group on Compliance will carry out its mandate on the basis of the text contained in the [Annex to Resolution 2/2009](#).

In accordance with the request of the Governing Body, Contracting Parties and observers are invited to make submissions on the text before 1 October 2009 for consideration by the Ad Hoc Working Group.

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<sup>1</sup> Document IT/GB-1/06/Report, *Report of the First Session of the Governing Body*; Document IT/GB-2/07/Report, *Report of the Second Session of the Governing Body*. The Reports are available at the following internet address: [www.planttreaty.org](http://www.planttreaty.org)

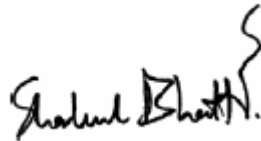


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I would be grateful if electronic copies of the submissions could be sent to the above e-mail address in addition to the hard copies.

Please accept Madam/Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shakeel Bhatti". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent flourish at the end.

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