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To the Secretary of the International Treaty
on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
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**Subject: Notification regarding the contribution of the Cyprus
to the Multilateral System**

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 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, and that Contracting Parties invite other holders of the plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* to include these in the Multilateral System.

Herewith, the Director of the Agricultural Research Institute on behalf of Cyprus wishes to notify to you that the following plant genetic resources for food and agriculture listed in *Annex I* and maintained in Cyprus have been included in the Multilateral System.

The collections held by the Genebank of the Agricultural Research Institute, Cyprus (Sees Appendix I).

Through the website <http://eurisco.ecpgr.org/static/index.html> detail data on the composition of the collections is 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 International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture.

Yours faithfully

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Appendix I

Number of accessions in Agricultural Research Institute's Genebank collection listed in Annex I of ITPGRFA

Taxon	Number of Accessions
<i>Avena eriantha</i>	8
<i>Avena hirtula</i>	7
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	1
<i>Avena ventricosa</i>	19
<i>Beta vulgaris subsp. maritima</i>	35
<i>Beta vulgaris subsp. vulgaris</i>	5
<i>Cicer arietinum</i>	28
<i>Eruca sativa</i>	1
<i>Hordeum vulgare</i>	26
<i>Hordeum vulgare subsp spontaneum</i>	4
<i>Lathyrus ochrus</i>	12
<i>Lathyrus sativus</i>	19
<i>Lens culinaris</i>	19
<i>Lens spp.</i>	1
<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i>	28
<i>Pisum fulvum</i>	1
<i>Pisum sativum</i>	6
<i>Triticum turgidum subsp. durum</i>	80
<i>Vicia cassia</i>	1
<i>Vicia ervilia</i>	15
<i>Vicia faba</i>	101
<i>Vicia parviflora</i>	1
<i>Vicia sativa</i>	67
Total number of accessions	485