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Dr. Kent Nnadozie
Secretary *ad interim* of the International Treaty
on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
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Dear Dr. Nnadozie:

This letter serves as official notification that the United States' contribution to the Multilateral System (MLS) will include those plant genetic resources in Annex 1 of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture that are within the public domain and under management and control of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service's (USDA/ARS) National Plant Germplasm System (NPGS). Attached please find a list of NPGS USDA genebanks.

Information on the NPGS collections and procedures for requesting samples can be found at the following URL: <https://npgsweb.ars-grin.gov/gringlobal/search.aspx>

Plant germplasm held within the NPGS, excepting materials that are not within the public domain or not under the management and control of the USDA, will be made available to foreign requestors under the terms of the Treaty's Standard Material Transfer Agreement.

Sincerely,

Chavonda Jacobs-Young, Ph.D.
Acting Deputy Under Secretary

Enclosure

ATTACHMENT

USDA/ARS National Plant Germplasm System - List of Genebanks

- Genetic Stocks - Oryza Collection, Stuttgart, Arkansas
- Maize Genetics Cooperation - Stock Center, Urbana, Illinois
- National Arid Land Plant Genetic Resources Unit, Parlier, California
- National Clonal Germplasm Repository , Corvallis, Oregon
- National Clonal Germplasm Repository for Citrus and Dates, Riverside, California
- National Clonal Germplasm Repository for Tree Fruit/Nut Crops and Grapes, Davis, California
- National Center for Genetic Resources Preservation, Fort Collins, Colorado
- National Cotton Collection, College Station, TX
- National Small Grains Collection including Barley and Wheat Genetic Stocks, Aberdeen, Idaho
- National Soybean Collection, Urbana, Illinois
- North Central Regional Plant Introduction Station, Ames, Iowa
- Pecan Breeding & Genetics, Brownwood and Somerville, Texas
- Plant Genetic Resources Conservation Unit, Griffin, Georgia
- Plant Genetic Resources Unit, Geneva, New York
- Subtropical Horticulture Research Station, Miami, Florida
- Tropical Agriculture Research Station, Mayagüez, Puerto Rico
- National Clonal Germplasm Repository, Hilo, Hawaii
- United States Potato Genebank, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin
- Western Regional Plant Introduction Station, Pullman, Washington
- Woody Landscape Plant Germplasm Repository, Washington, DC