RESOLUTION VITI 2/94

PRODUCTION CHARACTERISTICS AND PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF GRAPE VINES

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

BASED on the proposai of Commission I “Viticulture ”, after hauing heard the différent national reports presented at the 73rd session on the subject of “Production Characteristics and Pro tection of New Varieties of Grape Vines ”,

OBSERVES

- that a great deal of work on variety improvement (création, sélection, transformation) has taken place in the uarious countries,
- that this improvement work requires financial resources and heavy investment,

DECLARES that harmonisation of methods for the protection of new varieties is developing grad- ually in various countries, thanks to the Union for Protection of Plant Varieties (UPOV),

WISHES therefore that direct and official links be established between UPOV and the OIV, to encourage a common approach and clarify certain points,

RECOMMENDS that the member countries support research efforts towards differentiating, char- acterizing and identifying new varieties and clones by ampelographic, ampelometric, biochemical and genome analysis methods, so as to obtain a sure and objective means to control and follow the propagation of improved plant material,

DRAWS the attention of the member States to the various conséquences linked to exclusivity of distribution of new plant material.

Certified in conformity Paris, 10th June 1994
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