

**Consultative Committee****CC/97/9****Ninety-Seventh Session  
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**REPORT ON AN INITIATIVE CONCERNING SMALLHOLDER FARMERS***Document prepared by the Office of the Union**Disclaimer: this document does not represent UPOV policies or guidance*

1. The purpose of this document is to provide information concerning the invitation to Oxfam, Plantum and Euroseeds to make a joint presentation, at the ninety-seventh session of the Consultative Committee concerning smallholder farmers.
2. The Consultative Committee, at its ninety-sixth session, held in Geneva on October 31, noted the intervention by the Netherlands concerning the “Report and Recommendations of the project ‘Options to interpret the notion of private and non-commercial use as included in Article 15. 1. I of the UPOV 1991 Convention’” by Oxfam, Plantum and Euroseeds, concerning smallholder farmers. The Consultative Committee agreed to invite the authors to make a presentation at the ninety-seventh session of the Consultative Committee in 2020 (see document CC/96/14 “Report”, paragraph 105).
3. In accordance with the request of the Consultative Committee, at its ninety-sixth session, the Office of the Union issued an invitation to Oxfam, Plantum and Euroseeds (project team) to make a presentation during the virtual session of the Consultative Committee on October 29, 2020. The project team has accepted the invitation to make the presentation. The joint presentation will be considered under item 23 of the draft agenda of the ninety seventh session of the Consultative Committee, expected to take place around 3:30 pm (UTC+2), as the first agenda item of the afternoon session. The project team will be invited to join the Consultative Committee session during the presentation and address any questions by members of the Union. Afterwards, the project team will be invited to leave the session in order to allow the Consultative Committee to continue its deliberations.
4. *The Consultative Committee is invited to consider the joint presentation of Oxfam, Plantum and Euroseeds concerning smallholder farmers.*

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