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HEALTH AND CONSUMERS DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE EXPERT GROUP ON PLANT
REPRODUCTIVE MATERIAL LEGISLATION - Working Group on heterogeneous material
(populations)**

3 September 2013

Chairperson: P. Mannerkorpi

Experts from the following Member States were present: BE, DE, DK, FR, HU, IE, NL, PL and UK. Experts from CPVO and JRC participated too.

1. Temporary experiment

The Commission is preparing a Commission decision on a temporary experiment pursuant to Council Directive 66/402/EEC on a possibility to market certain types of populations of wheat, barley, oats and maize. MS written comments were included in a revised working document prepared by the Commission. Discussion took place in particular on the scope, definition of populations by production methods, authorisation, identification, controls, and necessary experimentation. A revised document will be produced by the Commission for the next meeting. All the MS will be informed in SCS meetings in autumn 2014.

2. JRCs contribution to studies

It was discussed whether any data and results of the temporary experiment could be used for a socio-economic study by JRC. Moreover, a review of existing scientific data would be useful.

3. Planning of a seminar

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4. Legal framework – draft proposal on Regulation on plant reproductive material

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The Commission presented and asked MS experts input on a Commission questionnaire to collect information on size and type of operators in the PRM sector in EU.