

Questionnaire July 2006

Special Committee Q166 – Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore

On the

Requirement of indicating the source and/or country of origin of genetic resources and traditional knowledge in patent applications

Answer of the Hungarian Group

1) Is there a legal requirement in your country that the source and/or country of origin of genetic resources and/or traditional knowledge must be indicated in patent applications for inventions based on such genetic resources or traditional knowledge?

By taking reference to your kind e-mail of October 18, 2006 I would like to confirm that the valid Hungarian Patents Act does not comprise any legal requirement in the respect that the source and/our country of origin of genetic resources and/or traditional knowledge must be indicated in a patent application.