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Progress made in the preparation of the flora of Libya

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Since I presented my report "The flora of Libya project" (Boulos, 1971) during the last AETFAT Plenary Meeting in Munich, 1970, very little progress was made towards the preparation of the Flora of Libya. The main reason for this is that I was unable to continue working there and I left the country in July, 1971. However, some collections were made in 1970-1971 from various parts of Libya. These as well as the previous collections from 1966-1970 are deposited in the Herbarium of the Faculty of Science, University of Tripoli (ULT), Libya. An almost complete duplicate series is kept in the Herbarium of Cairo University (CAI). Few duplicate sets were sent to Geneva (G) and Stockholm (S).

A check-list of *Gramineae* from Libya was prepared by H. Scholz of Berlin-Dahlem. An account of this family is under preparation and is expected to be ready soon by the same author.

A bibliography on the flora and vegetation of Libya was compiled (Boulos, 1972) which comprises some 800 references. It is hoped that this work will be continued and completed when conditions to work on that flora, which is urgently needed, become more favourable.

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