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Madam,
Sir,

I have pleasure in inviting your Office, in its capacity as an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), to the 14th session of the *Meeting of International Authorities Under the PCT* (PCT/MIA), which will be held in Geneva, at the headquarters of the World Intellectual Property Organization, from February 5 to 7, 2007, beginning at 10 a.m. The working language will be English.

February 7 will be reserved for the adoption of the report. This will take place at a time to be determined, during a part of the day when the Working Group on the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents, which begins that day, is not in session.

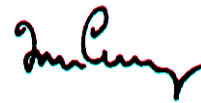
./ The draft agenda (document PCT/MIA/14/1) is enclosed. I invite your Office to provide comments on, or any further proposals for, the draft agenda. The International Bureau would appreciate receiving any such comments and proposals by December 31, 2006.

I would like to remind you of the request in Circular C. PCT 1090 to submit reports on your quality systems by December 31, 2006, in accordance with paragraph 21.17 of the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines. In addition, the heads of all the International Authorities are being invited to begin negotiations for the renewal of their agreements with the International Bureau. It is intended that the working document for item 3 of the attached agenda will contain a draft model agreement for discussion. The resulting model agreement would then be used as the basis for further individual negotiations relating to any specific provisions needed for each International Authority. Any comments on issues common to all Authorities within the existing agreements which should be addressed in the new model agreement are invited by January 12, 2007, to pct.mia@wipo.int.

As for previous sessions, the working documents will be made available on the PCT/MIA electronic forum, which is accessible on WIPO's website at www.wipo.int/pct/mia (username: pctmia; password: miaforum); copies on paper will be sent only on request. I encourage Authorities to make use of this forum for advance discussion of issues.

It would be appreciated if the names and titles of the representatives of your Office could be communicated to the International Bureau of WIPO by January 12, 2007.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Francis Gurry', with a red horizontal line underlining the name.

Francis Gurry
Deputy Director General

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**MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITIES
UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)**

**Fourteenth Session
Geneva, February 5 to 7, 2007**

DRAFT AGENDA

prepared by the Secretariat

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Renewal of Agreements Between the International Authorities and the International Bureau
4. PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines
5. Quality framework
6. PCT reform proposals with relevance to the International Authorities
7. Standard of drawings required for international search and preliminary examination
8. PCT minimum documentation
9. PCT statistics

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12. Closing of the session

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