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The Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) presents his compliments to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and has the honor to invite His Excellency's Government to be represented at the ninth session of the *Working Group on Reform of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)*, which will be held in Geneva, at the headquarters of WIPO, from Monday, April 23, 2007 (10 a.m.) to Friday, April 27, 2007.

- ./ The draft agenda (document PCT/R/WG/9/1) is enclosed. Working documents, in English and French, will be communicated to the Industrial Property Office of His Excellency's Government and, on request, to the Ministry. The working documents will also be made available on WIPO's website (*see <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/meetings>*).

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French and Spanish.

An electronic forum has been established to facilitate the work of the Working Group and other bodies concerning reform of the PCT. The forum, which is accessible via the web site, enables the submission by e-mail, and subsequent posting and browsing, of comments on matters concerning PCT reform. Provision is also made for subscription to an electronic mailing list by persons wishing to be informed when additional documents are made available on the website and when comments are posted on the electronic forum.

The Director General would appreciate it if the name(s), title(s) and e-mail address(es) of the representative(s) of His Excellency's Government who will attend the session could be communicated to the International Bureau of WIPO by April 9, 2007.

January 29, 2007

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**WORKING GROUP ON REFORM**  
**OF THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)**

**Ninth Session**  
**Geneva, April 23 to 27, 2007**

DRAFT AGENDA

*prepared by the Secretariat*

1. Opening of the session
2. Election of a Chair and two Vice-Chairs
3. Adoption of the agenda
4. Consideration of proposals for reform of the PCT:
  - (a) Supplementary international searches
  - (b) International search: Use of results of earlier national search
  - (c) Publication of international applications in multiple languages
  - (d) Declaration of the source of genetic resources and traditional knowledge in patent applications: Proposals by Switzerland
5. Other matters
6. Further work
7. Adoption of the report of the session
8. Closing of the session

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