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Madam,
Sir,

ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW EQUIVALENT AMOUNT

This Circular is addressed to your Office in its capacity as receiving Office (RO) under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for the purposes of consultation regarding a new equivalent amount of the search fee charged by the Australian Patent Office in its capacity as International Searching Authority.


The exchange rate, based on the Swiss franc, between the Australian dollar (AUD) and the New Zealand dollar (NZD) has been, for more than 30 consecutive days, more than 5 percent higher than the exchange rate used for establishing the present equivalent amount.

In accordance with the directives adopted by the PCT Assembly at its thirty-second session (September 22 to October 1, 2003), a new equivalent amount in NZD will be established as follows, with effect from July 1, 2010:

AUD 1,600 = NZD 2,062

The new amount will be published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of May 6, 2010, unless we hear from you to the contrary on or before April 27, 2010.

Yours sincerely,


James Pooley
Deputy Director General