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NEWSLETTER

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NEW PCT CONTRACTING STATE

Mozambique (country code: MZ)

On 18 February 2000, Mozambique deposited its instrument of accession to the PCT, and on 18 May 2000, will become bound by the PCT. Consequently, in any international application filed on or after 18 May 2000, Mozambique may be designated and, because it will be bound by Chapter II of the PCT, may also be elected. Furthermore, nationals and residents of Mozambique will be entitled from 18 May 2000 to file international applications under the PCT.

PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES

Updated versions of the translations into French, German and Spanish of the list of PCT Contracting States and two-letter codes, including the notes thereto (printed on the last page of the *PCT Newsletter*) are included in this issue, on pages 9 to 11, respectively.

PCT INFORMATION UPDATE

LV Latvia (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Latvian Patent Office as receiving Office, have changed:

transmittal fee: see Table I(a)
fee for priority
document: LVL 11.80

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (LV))

NO Norway (fees)

As from 1 April 2000, a fee reduction will be applicable in certain cases, and a new fee in NOK will be payable to the Norwegian Patent Office as

designated and elected Office, as follows:

national fee:

basic fee: NOK 1,000 (800)¹

examina-

tion fee: NOK 2,000 (none)¹

¹ The amount in parentheses is applicable where the applicant is a physical person or a legal entity with less than 20 permanent employees.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. II/B, National Chapter, Summary (NO))

List of Contracting States

The pink tear-out provisional sheet for the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex A (PCT Contracting States) includes Mozambique and the date of entry into force of the PCT in respect of that State (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2000, for details).

AMENDMENTS TO THE IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS TO THE EUROPEAN PATENT CONVENTION AND THE RULES RELATING TO FEES

On 13 October 1999, the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation amended,

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with effect from 1 March 2000, the Implementing Regulations to the European Patent Convention and the Rules relating to Fees.

A new Part IX of the Implementing Regulations to the Convention, entitled "Implementing Regulations to Part X of the Convention," relates to the entry into the European regional phase of PCT applications. It contains, in particular, amendments relating to the applicable time limits for complying with certain requirements under PCT Articles 22 and 39(1); the consequence of non-payment of the national fee; the amendment of the application; claims incurring fees and the consequence of non-payment thereof, and the examination of certain formal requirements by the European Patent Office.

For further details, see the *Official Journal of the EPO*, No. 11/1999, which is available at the following address:

http://www.european-patent-office.org/epo/pubs/oj_index_e.htm

PRACTICAL ADVICE

Late receipt of invitation from receiving Office to correct physical defects in the international application

Q: The receiving Office with which my international application was filed has sent me an

invitation to correct defects in the drawings included in the application (Form PCT/RO/106) with a time limit for response of one month from the date of mailing of the invitation. However, by the time I had received the invitation, 12 days had passed since the date of mailing, leaving me only 18 days in which to send the corrected drawings and I am worried that I will not be able to have them ready in time. Is it possible to extend the time limit for responding to the invitation, or, bearing in mind the delay which I encountered in receiving the invitation, is there any other action that I can take to have any delay in the receipt of my drawings by the receiving Office excused?

A: There are various actions that you could take if you receive an invitation to correct a defect at a date much later than the date of mailing of the invitation, as follows:

1) You may request the extension of the time limit fixed by the receiving Office for the correction of the defects. According to PCT Rule 26.2, the receiving Office may extend the time limit for the correction of defects under PCT Article 14(1) *ex officio* or at the request of the applicant at any time—even after the time limit fixed in the invitation has expired—before a decision is taken on whether the applicant has submitted the correction within the time limit and whether or not the international application so corrected is to be considered withdrawn. Whether or not an applicant is granted an extension of the time limit may depend on the circumstances of the application concerned. For example, when fixing a time limit or when granting an extension of a time limit, the receiving Office takes into account the fact that corrections that may be relevant for the international search are needed by the International Searching Authority, and that all corrections must reach the International Bureau before the completion of technical preparations for international publication. Extensions of time limits must be requested from the receiving Office and are normally granted if the circumstances referred to in the preceding sentence so permit.

Note, however, that PCT Rule 26.2 does not apply to all types of invitations, for example, it does not apply to invitations to correct defects under PCT Articles 11 or 14(2).

2) In accordance with PCT Rule 80.6 (first sentence), if the invitation was mailed on a day later than the date it bears, and you can prove that fact (for example (and depending on the country and office concerned), on the basis of elements such as the date stamp affixed by the post office), the date of actual mailing will, for the purposes of computing the period, be considered by the receiving Office to be the date on which the period starts.

PCT MATERIALS ON INTERNET

(<http://www.wipo.int>)

PCT Gazette
 PCT Information Line
PCT Newsletter (Nos. 01/1997–03/2000)
 Practical advice published in the *PCT Newsletter*
 between March 1994 and December 1996
PCT Applicant's Guide
 PCT-EASY
 PCT press releases/updates
 PCT seminar calendar
Basic Facts about the PCT
 The PCT in 1999
 About the Treaty
 Text of the Patent Cooperation Treaty
 Status of ratifications
 Text of the Regulations under the PCT
 Administrative Instructions under the PCT
 PCT Receiving Office Guidelines
 PCT International Search Guidelines
 PCT International Preliminary Examination
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 PCT forms
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3) Since the invitation reached you 12 days after the date of mailing, you also have the possibility under PCT Rule 80.6 (second sentence) of offering evidence which would satisfy the receiving Office that the invitation was received more than seven days after the date it bears. In such a case the receiving Office would treat the one-month period starting from the date of the invitation as expiring later by an additional number of days equal to the number of days over and above seven days from the date of the invitation which

it took the invitation to reach you. Your time limit would therefore be extended by five days.

Even though the originals of the drawings are required, you are more likely to meet the time limit if you send them by fax, provided that the receiving Office accepts the filing of documents by fax (this information can be obtained from the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B). Note that the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office does not accept facsimile transmission of a number of documents, including drawings.

PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR			
Dates and Location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
20 March 2000 Lansing, Michigan (US)	English	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Michigan State Bar Intellectual Property Section (Ms. Catherine Collins) Tel: (1-616) 975 55 06 Fax: (1-616) 975 55 05 E-mail: collins@vglb.com
22-23 March 2000 Nouakchott (MR)	French	Regional seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Curchod, Ms. Boutillon, Mr. Fall and Mrs. Vianès Other speakers*	Ministry of Mines and Industry (Mrs. Moulaye Idriss) Tel: (222-2) 533 37 Fax: (222-2) 569 37
* Mr. Cazenave (patent attorney, Yaoundé), Mr. Dieng (Ministry of Energy, Mining and Industry, Dakar), Mr. Edou Edou (Ministry of Trade and Industrial Development, Libreville), Mr. Kaba (Ministry of Trade, Conakry), Mr. Lamoureux (Alcatel), Mr. Rowles (EPIDOS)			
27 March 2000 Copenhagen (DK)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Mr. Bryan	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEPI) and the Danish Patent Office (Ms. Inge-Lise Høybye) Tel: (45-43) 50 80 00 Fax: (45-43) 50 80 01
29 (p.m.)- 30 March 2000 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon	Centre Paul Roubier (Mrs. Audi) Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
4-5 April 2000 Stockholm (SE)	English	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speakers: Mr. Roy and Mr. Fitzgerald	Swedish Patent Office (Mr. Christer Eklöf) Tel: (46-8) 782 28 34 E-mail: christer.eklof@prv.se or (Mrs. Ingeborg Giegold) Tel: (46-8) 782 28 84 Fax: (46-8) 783 01 63 E-mail: ingeborg.giegold@prv.se
6-7 April 2000 San Francisco (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon and Mr. Maassel	Intellectual Property International (Ms. Virginia H. Meyer) Tel: (1-415) 289 74 71 Fax: (1-415) 331 60 68 E-mail: IPI@IPISeminars.com Internet: www.ipiseminars.com
9-11 April 2000 Naples, Florida (US)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon, Mr. Bartels and Mr. Maassel Other speakers: Mr. Welch (Eli Lilly)	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1-804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1-804) 296 39 99
13-15 April 2000 Naples, Florida (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon, Mr. Bartels and Mr. Maassel Other speakers: Mr. Welch (Eli Lilly) and Mr. Philpott (EPO)	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1-804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1-804) 296 39 99
17-18 April 2000 Ottawa (CA)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	International Federation of Industrial Property Attorneys (FICPI Canada) (Mr. Edwin Gale) Tel: (1-613) 237 69 00 Fax: (1-613) 237 00 45 E-mail: egale@kirbyeades.com

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PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR [continued]			
Dates and Location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
17–18 April 2000 London (GB)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators and legal assistants "Working with the PCT" WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Kramer	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
19 April 2000 London (GB)	English	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speakers: Mr. Roy and Ms. Featherby	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
27–28 April 2000 Dallas (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys and patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Maassel	Haynes & Boone, 3M, and Dallas Intellectual Property Law Association (Ms. Linda Bradshaw) Tel: (1–512) 984 59 53 E-mail: ljbradshaw@mmm.com
28–29 April 2000 Concord (US) (CANCELLED)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys and patent administrators	Franklin Pierce Law Center (Ms. Carol Ruh) Tel: (1–603) 228 19 63, ext. 1108 Fax: (1–603) 224 33 42 E-mail: cruh@fplc.edu
1–2 May 2000 Minneapolis (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys and patent administrators WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon, Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Maassel	American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA) and Minnesota Intellectual Property Law Association (MIPLA) (Mr. Todd Delzer) Tel: (1–612) 278 63 26 Fax: (1–612) 333 49 27 E-mail: tdelzer@statebar.jen.mn.us
16 May 2000 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
17–18 May 2000 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
19 May 2000 Munich (DE)	German	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Orichev	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
7–8 June 2000 Paris (FR)	French	Basic seminar on PCT procedures for patent administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Baron	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Mrs. Christiane Sadrin) Tel: (33–1) 53 04 55 76 or (Mr. Jean-Pierre Cardon) Tel: (33–1) 53 04 52 70 Fax: (33–1) 42 93 63 52
9 June 2000 Paris (FR)	French	PCT presentation for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon	Fondation Nationale pour le Droit de l'Entreprise (FNDE) and Association Française des Spécialistes en Propriété Industrielle de l'Industrie (ASPI) (Mrs. Heuzé) Tel: (33–1) 42 66 18 19 Fax: (33–1) 42 66 17 37
12–13 June 2000 Jerusalem (IL)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys and patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mr. Bryan and Mr. Kramer	Israel Patent Office (Dr. Michael Bart) Tel: (972–2) 531 67 05 Fax: (972–2) 531 85 90 E-mail: igjppelt@trendline.co.il

PCT FEE TABLES

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The total amount of the basic fee and designation fee may be reduced by CHF 200 under certain circumstances where the request is prepared using the PCT-EASY software; see footnote 2 for details. A 75% reduction in the basic fee, the supplement per sheet over 30, the designation fee and the handling fee, as well as the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States; see footnote 3 for details. (Note that if both the CHF 200 reduction and the 75% reduction are applicable, the 75% reduction is calculated *after* the CHF 200 reduction.) The key to the abbreviations used and the footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Table I(a) – TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES

(as at 1 March 2000, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4,5} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁶
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 650	15	140	n a	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 427	10	92	132	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 427	10	92	132	AT EP SE
AT	ATS 700	ATS 5,627.96	123.84	1,210.91	1,733.80	EP
AU	AUD 100	AUD 665	15	144	205	AU
AZ	AZM ⁷ —	USD 427	10	92	n a	EP RU
BA	DEM 50	DEM 799.93	17.60	172.11	246.43	EP
BE	BEF 1,500	BEF 16,499	363	3,550	5,083	EP
BG	BGL 60	BGL eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP RU
BR	BRR 236	BRR eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	AT EP SE US
BY	BYR eq USD 70	USD 427	10	92	n a	EP RU
CA	CAD 200	CAD 630	15	136	194	EP
CH	CHF 100	CHF 650	15	140	200	EP
CN	CNY 500	CNY eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	CN
CR	USD 150	USD 427	10	92	132	EP ES
CU	USD (or CUP eq) 200	USD (or CUP eq) 427	10	92	n a	AT EP ES RU
CY	CYP 75	CYP 235	5	50	n a	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	CZK eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
DE	DEM 175	DEM 799.93	17.60	172.11	246.43	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 3,060	70	660	940	EP SE
EA	RUR eq USD 50	USD 427	10	92	132	EP RU
EE	EEK 1,800	EEK eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	EP
EP ⁸	EUR 102	EUR 409	9	88	126	EP
ES	ESP 10,040	ESP 68,052	1,497	14,642	20,965	EP ES
FI	FIM 800	FIM 2,431.80	53.51	523.22	749.16	EP SE
FR	FRF 400 or EUR 60.98	FRF 2,682.86 or EUR 409	59.04 9	577.24 88	826.51 126	EP
GB	GBP 55	GBP 264	6	56	81	EP
GE	GEL 10	USD 427	10	92	n a	EP RU
GH	GHC ⁹ 2,500 or 5,000	USD 427	10	92	n a	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	GRD 39,500	GRD 136,000	3,000	29,000	42,000	EP

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Table I(a) – TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES *[continued]*
(as at 1 March 2000, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4,5} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁶
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
HU	HUF ¹⁰ 10,000	HUF eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP RU
IB	CHF ³ 300	CHF 650	15	140	200	<i>See footnote 11</i>
	or USD ³ 200	or USD 427	10	92	132	
ID	IDR 500,000	IDR eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	AU EP RU
IE	IEP 60	IEP 322.11	7.09	69.31	99.23	EP
	or EUR 76.18	or EUR 409	9	88	126	
IL	ILS 437	USD 427	10	92	132	EP US
IN	INR 5,000	USD 427	10	92	132	AT AU CN EP SE US
	(filing by individual: 1,500)					
IS	ISK 5,500	ISK 30,800	700	6,600	n a	EP SE
IT	ITL 60,000	ITL 791,934	17,426	170,392	n a	EP
JP	JPY 18,000	JPY 46,000	1,100	9,900	14,200	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv) ³⁰	USD 427	10	92	n a	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 427	10	92	132	EP RU
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	AT RU
KR	KRW 45,000	KRW eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	AT AU KR
KZ	KZT ⁷ –	USD 427	10	92	132	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 427	10	92	n a	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM ⁷ –	LSM eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	AT EP
LT	LTL eq USD 80	USD 427	10	92	n a	EP RU
LU	LUF/BEF 800	LUF/BEF 16,499	363	3,550	n a	EP
LV	LVL 47.20	USD 427	10	92	132	EP RU
MA	None	CHF 650	15	140	n a	AT EP RU SE
MC	FRF 320	FRF 2,682.86	59.04	577.24	n a	EP
MD	MDL ⁷ 180	USD 427	10	92	132	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,750	MKD eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
MN	None	CHF 650	15	140	200	EP RU
MW	MWK 2,000	MWK 18,400	400	4,000	5,700	EP
MX	MXP ³ eq USD 200	MXP eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	EP ES SE US
NL	NLG 110	NLG 901.32	19.83	193.93	277.67	EP
NO	NOK 500	NOK 3,380	80	730	1,040	EP SE
NZ	NZD 180	NZD 822	19	178	n a	AU EP US
PL	PLZ 280	PLZ eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	EP
PT	PTE 4,650	PTE 81,997.10	1,804.30	17,642.40	25,260.70	EP
RO	ROL 300,000	CHF 650	15	140	200	AT EP RU
RU	RUR 294	USD 427	10	92	132	EP RU
SD	SDP 50	SDP eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	EP

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Table I(a) – TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued]
(as at 1 March 2000, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)		Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4,5} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁶
SE	SEK	1,000	SEK	3,540	80	760	1,090	EP SE
SG	SGD	135	SGD	727	17	156	224	AT AU EP
SI	SIT	22,000	SIT	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
SK	SKK	1,600	SKK	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
TJ	TJR ⁷	–	USD	427	10	92	n a	EP RU
TM	USD ⁷	–	USD	427	10	92	132	EP RU
TR	CHF	100	CHF	650	15	140	200	AT AU CN EP RU
TT	TTD	750	USD	427	10	92	132	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH	255	USD	427	10	92	n a	EP RU
US	USD	240	USD	427	10	92	132	EP US
UZ	USD ⁷	–	USD	427	10	92	132	EP RU
VN	VND	eq USD 150	VND	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	AT AU EP RU SE
YU	YUD	600	CHF	650	15	140	200	EP
ZA	ZAR	500	ZAR	2,620	60	560	n a	AT AU EP US
ZW	ZWD	550	ZWD	eq USD 427	eq USD 10	eq USD 92	eq USD 132	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) – SEARCH FEES
(as at 1 March 2000, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT	ATS	2,200	CHF	250	SGD	284	USD	170	ZAR	1,022		
AU	AUD	800	CHF	780	NZD	990	SGD	880	USD	510	ZAR	3,150
CN	CNY	800	CHF	150	USD	100						
EP ¹²	EUR	945	CYP	558	FRF	6,198.79	ITL	1,829,775	NLG	2,082.51	SEK	8,510
	ATS	13,003.48	DEM	1,848.26	GBP	638	JPY	106,200	NOK	7,800	SGD	1,680
	BEF	38,121	DKK	7,090	GRD	314,700	LUF	38,121	NZD	1,900	USD	990
	CAD	1,450	ESP	157,235	IEP	744.25	MWK	42,500	PTE	189,455.50	ZAR	6,040
	CHF	1,530	FIM	5,618.71	ISK	71,200						
ES	ESP	157,235	CHF	1,500	EUR	945	USD	990				
JP	JPY	77,000	CHF	1,087	USD	720						
KR	KRW	150,000	CHF	173	USD	110						
RU ¹³	USD	300	CHF	460								
SE	SEK	8,510	CHF	1,530	DKK	7,090	FIM	5,618	ISK	75,000	NOK	7,900
	USD	990										
US	USD	700	450 ¹⁴	CHF	1,064	684 ¹⁴	NZD	1,350	870 ¹⁴	ZAR	4,209	2,706 ¹⁴

Table II – PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FEES
(as at 1 March 2000, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ¹⁵				Handling fee ^{3,15} (CHF 233)							
AT	ATS 2,200				ATS 2,022.76							
AU	AUD 450				AUD 238							
CN	CNY 800				CNY eq CHF 233							
EP ¹²	EUR 1,533	DKK 11,500	IEP 1,207.34	EUR 147	DKK 1,100	IEP 115.77	EUR 21,094.54	ESP 255,070	ITL 2,968,302	ATS 2,022.76	ESP 24,459	ITL 284,632
	BEF 61,841	FIM 9,114.80	LUF 61,841	ATS 5,930	FIM 874.02	LUF 5,930	CHF 2,480	FRF 10,055.82	NLG 3,378.29	CHF 233	FRF 964.26	NLG 323.95
	CYP 904	GBP 1,035	PTE 307,338.90	CYP 84	GBP 94	PTE 29,470.90	DEM 2,998.29	GRD 510,500	SEK 13,800	DEM 287.51	GRD 49,000	SEK 1,270
JP	JPY 28,000				JPY 16,500							
KR	KRW 150,000				KRW eq CHF 233							
RU ¹³	USD 200 ¹⁶ 300 ¹⁷				USD 153							
SE	SEK 4,200				SEK 1,270							
US	USD 490 750 ¹⁸				USD 153							

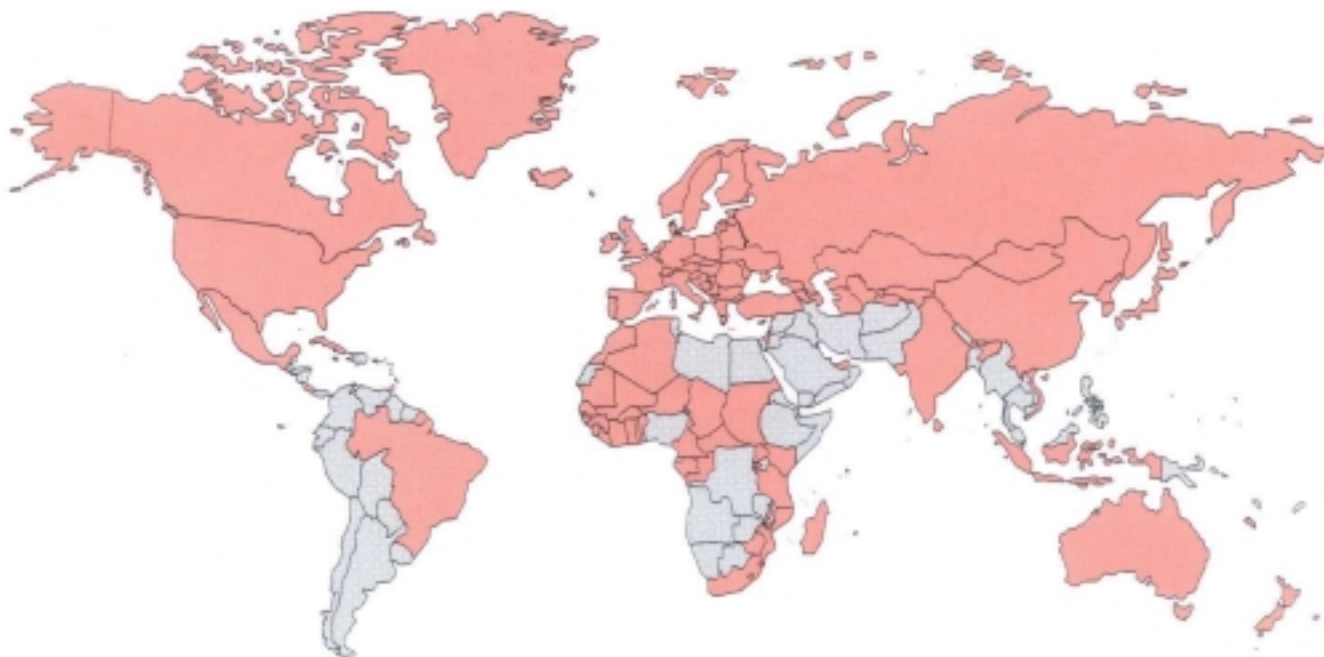
Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

eq	equivalent of	BRR	Brazilian real	GEL	Georgian lari	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RUR	Russian rouble
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYR	Belarusian rouble	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	LSM	Lesotho loti	SDP	Sudanese pound
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	GRD	Greek drachma	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SEK	Swedish krona
n a	not applicable	CHF	Swiss franc	HRK	Croatian kuna	LUF	Luxembourg franc	SGD	Singapore dollar
RO	receiving Office	CNY	Yuan renminbi	HUF	Hungarian forint	LVL	Latvian lat	SIT	Slovenian tolar
		CUP	Cuban convertible peso	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
		CYP	Cyprus pound	IEP	Irish pound	MDL	Moldovan leu	TJR	Tajik rouble
		CZK	Czech koruna	ILS	New Israel shekel	MKD	Macedonian denar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		DEM	Deutsche mark	INR	Indian rupee	MWK	Malawian kwacha	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		ALL	Albanian lek	ISK	Icelandic krona	MXP	Mexican peso	USD	US dollar
		AMD	Armenian dram	ITL	Italian lira	NLG	Netherlands guilder	VND	Vietnamese dong
		ATS	Austrian schilling	JPY	Japanese yen	NOK	Norwegian krone	YUD	Yugoslavian dinar
		AUD	Australian dollar	KES	Kenyan shilling	NZD	New Zealand dollar	ZAR	South African rand
		AZM	Azerbaijani manat	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
		BEF	Belgian franc	KPW	KP won	PTE	Portuguese escudo		
		BGL	Bulgarian lev	KRW	KR won	ROL	Romanian leu		

Footnotes to fee tables:

- Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- The total amount of the basic fee and designation fee is reduced by 200 Swiss francs where: (a) the request is presented as a computer print-out prepared using the PCT-EASY software; (b) the request is filed together with a computer diskette, prepared using that software, containing a copy in electronic form of the data contained in the request and of the abstract; and (c) the international application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept the filing of international applications containing requests in PCT-EASY format together with PCT-EASY diskettes.
- This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in Albania, Algeria (from 8 March 2000), Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Dominica, Estonia, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique (from 18 May 2000), Niger, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia or Zimbabwe. For further details, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/1995, cover page, No. 11/1995, page 6, and No. 05/1996, cover page.
- The maximum number of designation fees payable is eight.
- The confirmation fee payable under PCT Rules 4.9(c) and 15.5 is 50% of the designation fee due (taking into account any applicable 75% reduction; see footnote 3).
- For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- The amounts are not yet known or, where known, are subject to periodical revision. The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable schedule of fees.
- The amounts of the transmittal fee in currencies other than EUR are as follows: ATS 1,403.55; BEF 4,115; CHF 170; CYP 60; DEM 199.49; DKK 770; ESP 16,971; FIM 606.46; FRF 669.08; GBP 69; GRD 34,000; IEP 80.33; ITL 197,500; LUF 4,115; NLG 224.78; PTE 20,449.20; SEK 920. The amounts in those currencies of the basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30 and designation fee are the same as those indicated for the receiving Offices of the respective States, that is RO/AT, BE, CH, etc.
- The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- A supplement of HUF 500 is also payable for each claim in excess of 10.
- The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an international application filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the international application had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (IB).
- Nationals (natural or legal persons) of States which fulfill the requirements for the corresponding reduction of certain PCT fees as specified in the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations (see also footnote 3) may be eligible for reductions in the search and preliminary examination fees. For details, including the amount of the fee reduction and applicable conditions, see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes D (EP) and E (EP). The list of countries concerned is indicated in footnote 3.
- The applicant may, instead of paying the USD amount, pay the equivalent amount in RUR at the exchange rate applicable, on the date of payment, at the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, provided that, in the case of the search fee, the receiving Office accepts payment in RUR.
- Payable when a corresponding prior US national application has been filed and the basic filing fee for that US application has been paid.
- Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- Payable when the international search report was established by the Russian Patent Office.
- In all cases where footnote 16 does not apply.
- Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C.)

ÉTATS CONTRACTANTS DU PCT ET CODES À DEUX LETTRES
(107 au 1^{er} mars 2000)



AE Émirats arabes unis	CN Chine	ID Indonésie	MC Monaco (EP) ²	SE Suède (EP)
AG Antigua-et-Barbuda (à partir du 17 mars 2000)	CR Costa Rica	IE Irlande (EP) ²	MD République de Moldova (EA)	SG Singapour
AL Albanie ¹	CU Cuba	IL Israël	MG Madagascar	SI Slovénie ¹
AM Arménie (EA)	CY Chypre (EP) ²	IN Inde	MK Ex-République yougoslave de Macédoine ¹	SK Slovaquie
AT Autriche (EP)	CZ République tchèque	IS Islande	ML Mali (OA) ²	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AU Australie	DE Allemagne (EP)	IT Italie (EP) ²	MN Mongolie	SN Sénégal (OA) ²
AZ Azerbaïdjan (EA)	DK Danemark (EP)	JP Japon	MR Mauritanie (OA) ²	SZ Swaziland (AP) ²
BA Bosnie-Herzégovine	DM Dominique	KE Kenya (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	TD Tchad (OA) ²
BB Barbade	DZ Algérie (à partir du 8 mars 2000)	KG Kirghizistan (EA)	MX Mexique	TG Togo (OA) ²
BE Belgique (EP) ²	EE Estonie	KP République populaire démocratique de Corée	MZ Mozambique (à partir du 18 mai 2000)	TJ Tadjikistan (EA)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	ES Espagne (EP)	KR République de Corée	NE Niger (OA) ²	TM Turkménistan (EA)
BG Bulgarie	FI Finlande (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NL Pays-Bas (EP) ²	TR Turquie
BJ Bénin (OA) ²	FR France (EP) ²	LC Sainte-Lucie	NO Norvège	TT Trinité-et-Tobago
BR Brésil	GA Gabon (OA) ²	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NZ Nouvelle-Zélande	TZ République-Unie de Tanzanie (AP)
BY Bélarus (EA)	GB Royaume-Uni (EP)	LK Sri Lanka	PL Pologne	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GD Grenade	LR Libéria	PT Portugal (EP)	UG Ouganda (AP)
CF République centrafricaine (OA) ²	GE Géorgie	LS Lesotho (AP)	RO Roumanie ¹	US États-Unis d'Amérique
CG Congo (OA) ²	GH Ghana (AP)	LT Lituanie ¹	RU Fédération de Russie (EA)	UZ Ouzbékistan
CH Suisse (EP)	GM Gambie (AP)	LV Lettonie ¹	SD Soudan (AP)	VN Viet Nam
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	GN Guinée (OA) ²	MA Maroc		YU Yougoslavie
CM Cameroun (OA) ²	GR Grèce (EP) ²			ZA Afrique du Sud
	GW Guinée-Bissau (OA) ²			ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
	HR Croatie			
	HU Hongrie			

1 Possibilité d'extension d'un brevet européen.

2 Ne peut être désigné qu'aux fins d'un brevet régional (suite à la fermeture de la "voie nationale" via le PCT).

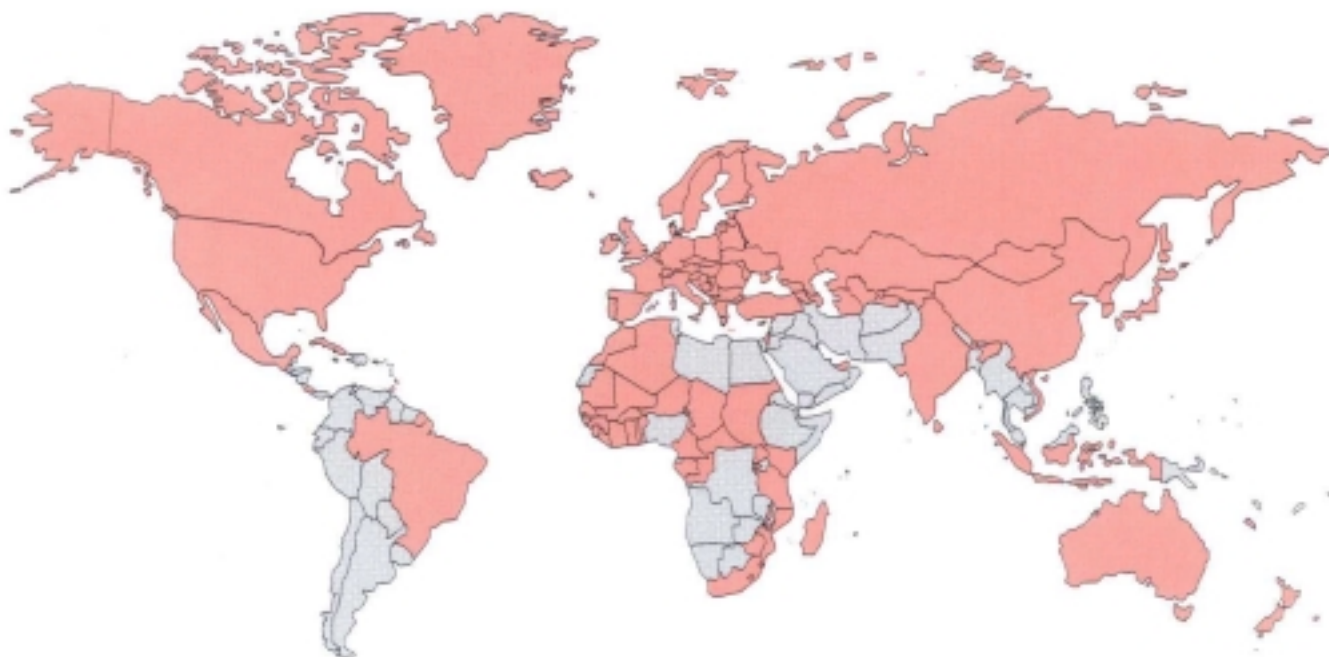
Lorsqu'un État peut être désigné aux fins d'un brevet régional, le code à deux lettres correspondant au brevet régional concerné est indiqué entre parenthèses (AP = brevet ARIPO, EA = brevet eurasien, EP = brevet européen, OA = brevet OAPI).

Important:

Cette liste comporte tous les États qui ont adhéré au PCT à la date qui figure ci-dessus. Un État dont le nom est indiqué en **italique gras** a adhéré au PCT mais n'était pas encore lié par le PCT à la date de publication de la dernière version du formulaire de requête. Lorsqu'un État a adhéré au PCT mais n'est pas encore lié par le PCT, la date à laquelle il deviendra lié figure entre parenthèses; il ne peut être désigné dans des demandes internationales déposées avant cette date. Si le déposant souhaite désigner aux fins d'un brevet national, un État qui est lié par le PCT à la date à laquelle il dépose la demande internationale mais qui ne figure pas dans le formulaire de requête, il doit l'ajouter dans le cadre n° V dudit formulaire en cochant la case appropriée.

Il est recommandé aux déposants de toujours utiliser les dernières versions du formulaire de requête (PCT/RO/101) et du formulaire de demande d'examen préliminaire international (PCT/IPEA/401), dont il est publié des versions mises à jour, en règle générale, deux fois par an. Les dernières versions sont datées de janvier 2000. Ces formulaires sont reproduits aux annexes X et Y, respectivement, du volume I/B du *Guide du déposant du PCT* (mise à jour de janvier 2000); ils peuvent être imprimés à partir du site Internet de l'OMPI (format PDF) à l'adresse suivante: <http://www.OMPI.int/fre/pct/forms/index.htm>, ou être obtenus auprès des offices récepteurs ou du Bureau international, ou, dans le cas du formulaire de demande d'examen préliminaire international, également auprès des administrations chargées de l'examen préliminaire international.

PCT-VERTRAGSSTAATEN UND ZWEIBUCHSTABEN-CODES (107 am 1. März 2000)



AE Vereinigte Arabische Emirate	CM Kamerun (OA) ²	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ²	MC Monaco (EP) ²	SE Schweden (EP)
AG Antigua und Barbuda (ab 17. März 2000)	CN China	HR Kroatien	MD Republik Moldau (EA)	SG Singapur
AL Albanien ¹	CR Costa Rica	HU Ungarn	MG Madagaskar	SI Slowenien ¹
AM Armenien (EA)	CU Kuba	ID Indonesien	MK Die ehemalige jugoslawische Republik Mazedonien ¹	SK Slowakei
AT Österreich (EP)	CY Zypern ²	IN Indien	ML Mali (OA) ²	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AU Australien	CZ Tschechische Republik	IE Irland (EP) ²	MN Mongolei	SN Senegal (OA) ²
AZ Aserbaidschan (EA)	DE Deutschland (EP)	IL Israel	MR Mauretanien (OA) ²	SZ Swasiland (AP) ²
BA Bosnien-Herzegowina	DK Dänemark (EP)	IT Italien (EP) ²	MW Malawi (AP)	TD Tschad (OA) ²
BB Barbados	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MX Mexiko	TG Togo (OA) ²
BE Belgien (EP) ²	DZ Algerien (ab 8. März 2000)	KE Kenia (AP)	MZ Mosambik (ab 18. Mai 2000)	TJ Tadschikistan (EA)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	EE Estland	KG Kirgisistan (EA)	NE Niger (OA) ²	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BG Bulgarien	ES Spanien (EP)	KP Demokratische Volksrepublik Korea	NL Niederlande (EP) ²	TR Türkei
BJ Benin (OA) ²	FI Finnland (EP)	KR Republik Korea	NO Norwegen	TT Trinidad und Tobago
BR Brasilien	FR Frankreich (EP) ²	KZ Kasachstan (EA)	NZ Neuseeland	TZ Vereinigte Republik Tansania (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GA Gabun (OA) ²	LC St. Lucia	PL Polen	UA Ukraine
CA Kanada	GB Vereinigtes Königreich (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PT Portugal (EP)	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Zentralafrikanische Republik (OA) ²	GD Grenada	LK Sri Lanka	RO Rumänien ¹	US Vereinigte Staaten von Amerika
CG Kongo (OA) ²	GE Georgien	LR Liberia	RU Russische Föderation (EA)	VN Vietnam
CH Schweiz (EP)	GH Ghana (AP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	SD Sudan (AP)	YU Jugoslawien
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	GM Gambia (AP)	LT Litauen ¹		ZA Südafrika
	GN Guinea (OA) ²	LU Luxemburg (EP)		ZW Simbabwe (AP)
	GR Griechenland (EP) ²	LV Lettland ¹		
		MA Marokko		

1 Erstreckung eines europäischen Patents möglich.

2 Kann nur für ein regionales Patent bestimmt werden (die nationale Route über den PCT-Weg ist geschlossen worden).

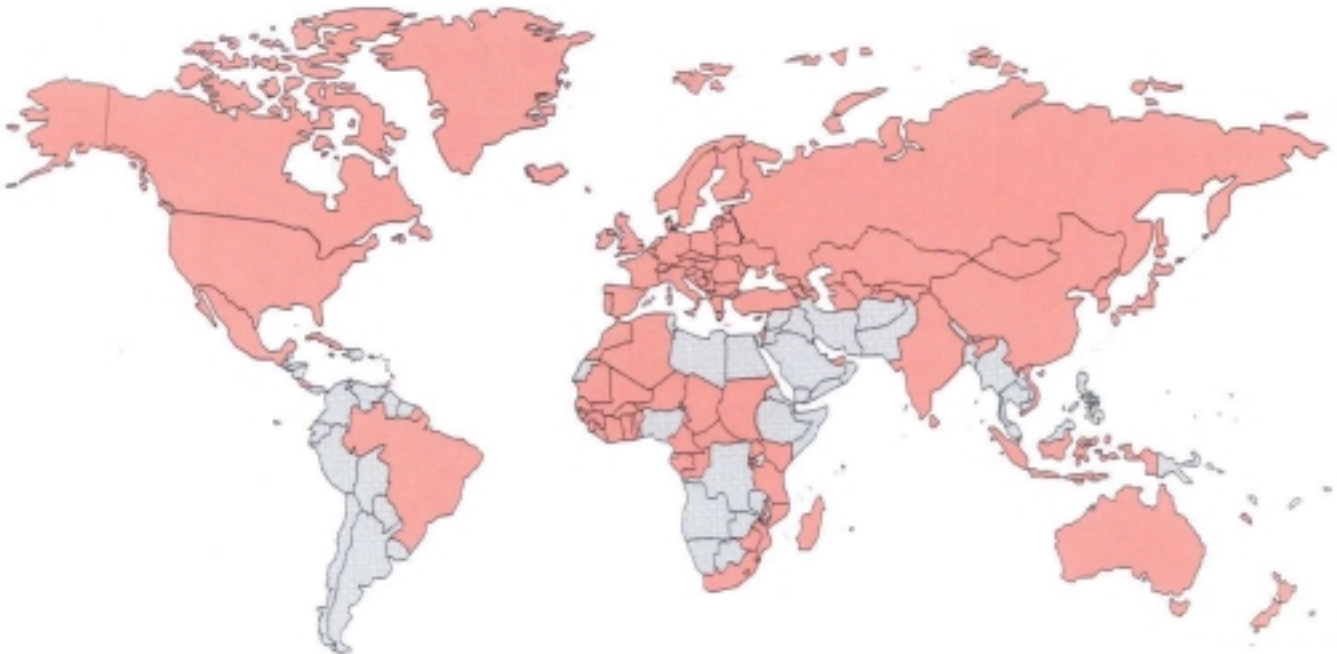
Kann ein Staat für ein regionales Patent bestimmt werden, so ist der Zweibuchstaben-Code für das entsprechende regionale Patent in Klammern angegeben (AP = ARIPO-Patent, EA = eurasisches Patent, EP = europäisches Patent, OA = OAPI-Patent).

Wichtig:

Diese Liste umfaßt alle Staaten, die dem PCT bis zu dem in der Überschrift genannten Datum beigetreten sind. Diejenigen Staaten, deren Namen **fett und kursiv** gedruckt sind, sind dem PCT beigetreten, waren jedoch am Tag der Herausgabe der letzten Fassung des Antragsformulars noch nicht durch den PCT gebunden. Ist ein Staat dem PCT beigetreten, aber noch nicht durch den PCT gebunden, so ist das Datum, ab dem dieser Staat durch den PCT gebunden sein wird, in Klammern angegeben; dieser Staat kann in internationalen Anmeldungen, die vor diesem Datum eingereicht werden, nicht bestimmt werden. Will der Anmelder einen Staat für ein nationales Patent bestimmen, der an dem Tag, an dem die internationale Anmeldung eingereicht wird, durch den PCT gebunden, aber nicht auf dem Antragsformular aufgeführt ist, so muß er diesen Staat in Feld Nr. V hinzufügen und das entsprechende Kästchen ankreuzen.

Anmelder sollten stets die letzte Fassung des Antragsformulars (PCT/RO/101) sowie des Formulars für den Antrag auf internationale vorläufige Prüfung (PCT/IPEA/401) benutzen. Neufassungen beider Formulare erscheinen üblicherweise zweimal im Jahr; die letzten Neufassungen tragen das Datum Januar 2000. Beide Formulare können von der Internet site der WIPO unter <http://www.wipo.int/eng/pct/forms/index.htm> (in PDF Format) ausgedruckt oder von den Anmeldeämtern, dem Internationalen Büro oder, hinsichtlich des Antrags auf vorläufige Prüfung, auch von der mit der internationalen vorläufigen Prüfung beauftragten Behörde bezogen werden.

ESTADOS CONTRATANTES DEL PCT Y CÓDIGOS DE DOS LETRAS (107 el 1 de marzo de 2000)



AE Emiratos Árabes Unidos	CM Camerún (OA) ²	HR Croacia	MA Marruecos	SD Sudán (AP)
AG Antigua y Barbuda (a partir del 17 de marzo de 2000)	CN China	HU Hungría	MC Mónaco (EP) ²	SE Suecia (EP)
AL Albania ¹	CR Costa Rica	ID Indonesia	MD República de Moldova (EA)	SG Singapur
AM Armenia (EA)	CU Cuba	IE Irlanda (EP) ²	MG Madagascar	SI Eslovenia ¹
AT Austria (EP)	CY Chipre (EP) ²	IL Israel	MK Ex República Yugoslava de Macedonia ¹	SK Eslovaquia
AU Australia	CZ República Checa	IN India	ML Malí (OA) ²	SL Sierra Leona (AP)
AZ Azerbaiyán (EA)	DE Alemania (EP)	IS Islandia	MN Mongolia	SN Senegal (OA) ²
BA Bosnia y Herzegovina	DK Dinamarca (EP)	IT Italia (EP) ²	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	SZ Swazilandia (AP) ²
BB Barbados	DM Dominica	JP Japón	MW Malawi (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ²
BE Bélgica (EP) ²	DZ Argelia (a partir del 8 de marzo de 2000)	KE Kenya (AP)	MX México	TG Togo (OA) ²
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	EE Estonia	KG Kirguistán (EA)	MZ Mozambique (a partir del 18 de mayo de 2000)	TJ Tayikistán (EA)
BG Bulgaria	ES España (EP)	KP República Popular Democrática de Corea	NE Níger (OA) ²	TM Turkmenistán (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ²	FI Finlandia (EP)	KR República de Corea	NL Países Bajos (EP) ²	TR Turquía
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CA Canadá	GB Reino Unido (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PL Polonia	UA Ucrania
CF República Centroafricana (OA) ²	GE Georgia	LK Sri Lanka	PT Portugal (EP)	UG Uganda (AP)
CG Congo (OA) ²	GH Ghana (AP)	LR Liberia	RO Rumania ¹	US Estados Unidos de América
CH Suiza (EP)	GM Gambia (AP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	RU Federación de Rusia (EA)	UZ Uzbekistán
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	GN Guinea (OA) ²	LT Lituania ¹		VN Viet Nam
	GR Grecia (EP) ²	LU Luxemburgo (EP)		YU Yugoslavia
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¹ Posible extensión de patente europea.

² Puede ser designado solamente para una patente regional (ha sido cerrada la "vía nacional" por medio del PCT).

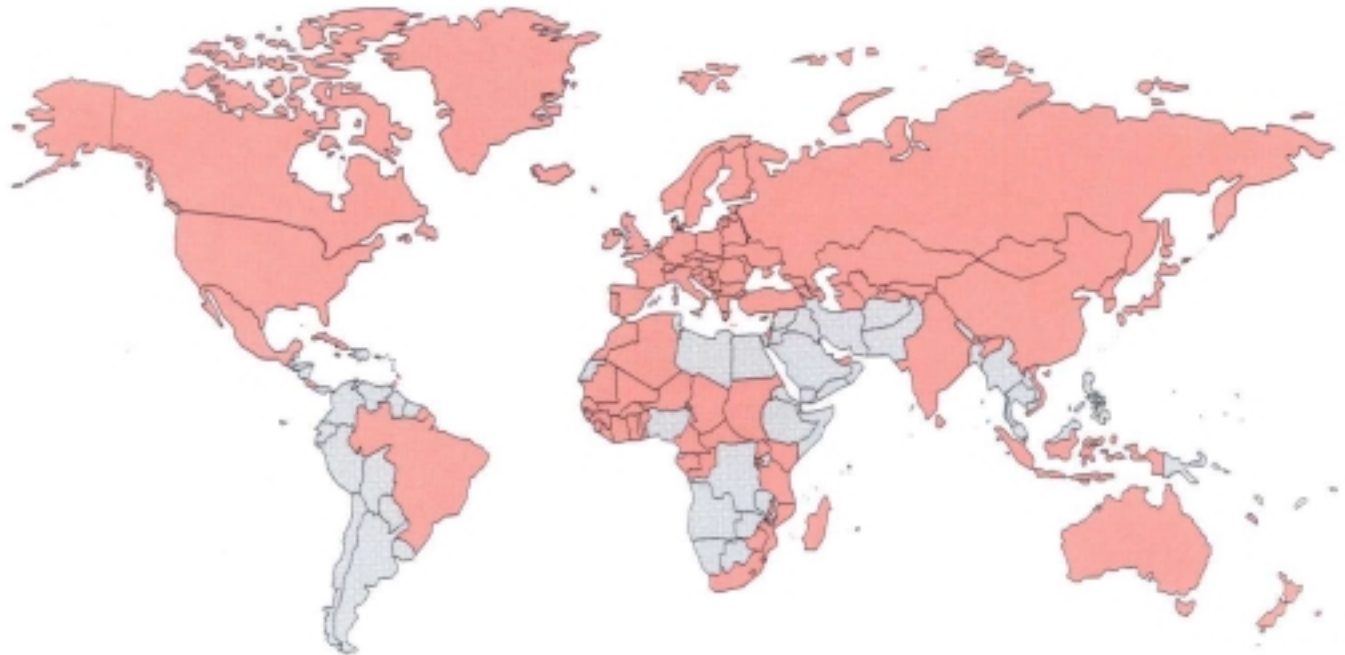
Cuando se puede designar un Estado para una patente regional, se indica entre paréntesis el código de dos letras respecto de la patente regional en cuestión (AP = patente ARIPO, EA = patente euroasiática, EP = patente europea, OA = patente OAPI).

Importante:

Esta lista incluye todos los Estados adheridos al PCT en la fecha indicada en el título. Los Estados indicados en **itálicas negritas** se han adherido al PCT pero aún no estaban obligados por el PCT en la fecha de publicación de la última versión del formulario del petitorio. Cuando un Estado se haya adherido al PCT pero aún no esté obligado por el mismo, se indica entre paréntesis la fecha en la que quedará obligado; no podrá ser designado en solicitudes internacionales presentadas antes de esa fecha. Si el solicitante desea designar, a los fines de una patente nacional, a cualquier Estado que esté obligado por el PCT en la fecha de presentación de la solicitud internacional, pero que aún no esté relacionado en el formulario del petitorio, deberá añadirlo en el recuadro N° V del formulario del petitorio y marcar las casillas correspondientes.

Se recomienda a los solicitantes siempre utilizar las versiones más recientes del formulario del petitorio (PCT/RO/101) y del formulario de la solicitud de examen preliminar internacional (PCT/IPEA/401), nuevas versiones de las cuales son normalmente publicadas dos veces al año. Las versiones más recientes son de enero de 2000. Se reproducen los formularios en los Anexos X e Y, respectivamente, del Volumen I/B de la *Guía del solicitante PCT* (actualización de enero de 2000); pueden imprimirse los formularios desde la página de acceso de la OMPI en Internet, disponibles en formato PDF en: <http://www.wipo.int/spa/pct/forms/index.htm>. Los formularios pueden obtenerse en las Oficinas receptoras o en la Oficina Internacional o, en cuanto al formulario de la solicitud de examen preliminar internacional, también en las Administraciones encargadas del examen preliminar internacional.

PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES (107 on 1 March 2000)



AE United Arab Emirates	CM Cameroon (OA) ²	HU Hungary	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	SG Singapore
AG <i>Antigua and Barbuda</i> (from 17 March 2000)	CN China	ID Indonesia	MG Madagascar	SI Slovenia ¹
AL Albania ¹	CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) ²	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia ¹	SK Slovakia
AM Armenia (EA)	CU Cuba	IL Israel	ML Mali (OA) ²	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AT Austria (EP)	CY Cyprus (EP) ²	IN India	MN Mongolia	SN Senegal (OA) ²
AU Australia	CZ Czech Republic	IS Iceland	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	SZ Swaziland (AP) ²
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BE Belgium (EP) ²	DZ <i>Algeria</i> (from 8 March 2000)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	NE Niger (OA) ²	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	EE Estonia	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	TR Turkey
BG Bulgaria	ES Spain (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NO Norway	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BJ Benin (OA) ²	FI Finland (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NZ New Zealand	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
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CF Central African Republic (OA) ²	GD Grenada	LR Liberia	RU Russian Federation (EA)	UZ Uzbekistan
CG Congo (OA) ²	GE Georgia	LS Lesotho (AP)	SD Sudan (AP)	VN Viet Nam
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	GR Greece (EP) ²	MA Morocco		
	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ²	MC Monaco (EP) ²		
	HR Croatia			

¹ Extension of European patent possible.

² May only be designated for a regional patent (the "national route" via the PCT has been closed).

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important:

This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but was not yet bound by the PCT on the date of issue of the latest version of the request form. Where any State has adhered to but is not yet bound by the PCT, the date on which it will become bound is shown in parentheses; it cannot be designated in international applications filed before that date. If the applicant wishes to designate, for the purposes of a national patent, any State which is bound by the PCT on the date on which the international application is filed but which is not listed in the request form, he must add it in Box No. V of the request form and mark the corresponding check-box.

Applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401), updated versions of which are normally issued twice yearly. The latest versions are dated January 2000. The forms are reproduced in Annexes X and Y, respectively, in Vol. I/B of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (January 2000 update), and can be printed from the WIPO Internet site, in PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/eng/pct/forms/index.htm>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities.

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PCT Contracting States

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Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT	Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT
Albania AL	4 October 1995	India IN ¹	7 December 1998
Algeria DZ ¹	(will become bound on 8 March 2000)	Indonesia ID ¹	5 September 1997
Antigua and Barbuda AG	(will become bound on 17 March 2000)	Ireland IE	1 August 1992
Armenia AM ¹	25 December 1991	Israel IL	1 June 1996
Australia AU	31 March 1980	Italy IT	28 March 1985
Austria AT	23 April 1979	Japan JP	1 October 1978
Azerbaijan AZ	25 December 1995	Kazakhstan KZ ¹	25 December 1991
Barbados BB	12 March 1985	Kenya KE	8 June 1994
Belarus BY ¹	25 December 1991	Kyrgyzstan KG ¹	25 December 1991
Belgium BE	14 December 1981	Latvia LV	7 September 1993
Benin BJ	26 February 1987	Lesotho LS	21 October 1995
Bosnia and Herzegovina BA	7 September 1996	Liberia LR	27 August 1994
Brazil BR	9 April 1978	Liechtenstein LI	19 March 1980
Bulgaria BG	21 May 1984	Lithuania LT	5 July 1994
Burkina Faso BF	21 March 1989	Luxembourg LU	30 April 1978
Cameroon CM	24 January 1978	Madagascar MG	24 January 1978
Canada CA	2 January 1990	Malawi MW	24 January 1978
Central African Republic CF	24 January 1978	Mali ML	19 October 1984
Chad TD	24 January 1978	Mauritania MR	13 April 1983
China CN	1 January 1994	Mexico MX	1 January 1995
Congo CG	24 January 1978	Monaco MC	22 June 1979
Costa Rica CR	3 August 1999	Mongolia MN	27 May 1991
Côte d'Ivoire CI	30 April 1991	Morocco MA	8 October 1999
Croatia HR	1 July 1998	Mozambique MZ ¹	(will become bound on 18 May 2000)
Cuba CU ¹	16 July 1996	Netherlands NL ⁵	10 July 1979
Cyprus CY	1 April 1998	New Zealand NZ	1 December 1992
Czech Republic CZ	1 January 1993	Niger NE	21 March 1993
Democratic People's Republic of Korea KP	8 July 1980	Norway NO ³	1 January 1980
Denmark DK	1 December 1978	Poland PL ³	25 December 1990
Dominica DM	7 August 1999	Portugal PT	24 November 1992
Estonia EE	24 August 1994	Republic of Korea KR	10 August 1984
Finland FI ³	1 October 1980	Republic of Moldova MD ¹	25 December 1991
France FR ^{1,4}	25 February 1978	Romania RO ¹	23 July 1979
Gabon GA	24 January 1978	Russian Federation RU ¹	29 March 1978
Gambia GM	9 December 1997	Saint Lucia LC ¹	30 August 1996
Georgia GE ¹	25 December 1991	Senegal SN	24 January 1978
Germany DE	24 January 1978	Sierra Leone SL	17 June 1997
Ghana GH	26 February 1997	Singapore SG	23 February 1995
Greece GR	9 October 1990	Slovakia SK	1 January 1993
Grenada GD	22 September 1998	Slovenia SI	1 March 1994
Guinea GN	27 May 1991	South Africa ZA ¹	16 March 1999
Guinea-Bissau GW	12 December 1997	Spain ES	16 November 1989
Hungary HU ¹	27 June 1980	Sri Lanka LK	26 February 1982
Iceland IS	23 March 1995	Sudan SD	16 April 1984
		Swaziland SZ	20 September 1994
		Sweden SE ³	17 May 1978
		Switzerland CH	24 January 1978

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Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT	Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT
Tajikistan TJ ¹	25 December 1991	United Arab Emirates AE	10 March 1999
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia MK	10 August 1995	United Kingdom GB ⁶	24 January 1978
Togo TG	24 January 1978	United Republic of Tanzania TZ	14 September 1999
Trinidad and Tobago TT	10 March 1994	United States of America US ^{7,8}	24 January 1978
Turkey TR	1 January 1996	Uzbekistan UZ ¹	25 December 1991
Turkmenistan TM ¹	25 December 1991	Viet Nam VN	10 March 1993
Uganda UG	9 February 1995	Yugoslavia YU	1 February 1997
Ukraine UA ¹	25 December 1991	Zimbabwe ZW	11 June 1997

¹ With the declaration provided for in Article 64(5).

² The date in parentheses is the date on which the State deposited a declaration of continued application of the PCT (Rule 32).

³ With the declaration provided for in Article 64(2)(a)(ii).

⁴ Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

⁵ Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

⁶ Extends to the Isle of Man.

⁷ With the declarations provided for in Articles 64(3)(a) and 64(4)(a).

⁸ Extends to all areas for which the United States of America has international responsibility.