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PCT ARTICLE 22(1): WITHDRAWALS OF NOTIFICATIONS OF INCOMPATIBILITY

Japan and Slovakia

Further to their notifications of the incompatibility of PCT Article 22(1), as modified with effect from 1 April 2002, with their respective national laws (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2002), the Japan Patent Office and the Industrial Property Office (Slovakia), in their capacity as designated Offices, have notified the International Bureau that they have withdrawn their notifications as further detailed below:

– the Japan Patent Office has withdrawn its notification with effect from 1 September 2002. The (new) 30-month time limit under PCT Article 22(1) will therefore apply as from that date in respect of international applications for which the 20-month time limit expires on or after 1 September 2002 and in respect of which the acts referred to in PCT Article 22(1) have not yet been performed by the applicant;

– the Industrial Property Office (Slovakia) has withdrawn its notification with effect from 1 August 2002. Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Article 22(3), that Office has notified the International Bureau that the time limit applicable for entry into the national phase before it as a designated Office is, with effect from 1 August 2002, 31 months from the priority date.

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PCT RULE 4.10: WITHDRAWAL OF NOTIFICATION OF INCOMPATIBILITY

Japan

Further to its notification of the incompatibility of PCT Rule 4.10, as amended with effect from 1 January 2000, with its national law (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/1999), the Japan Patent Office (in its capacity as designated Office) has notified the International Bureau that it has withdrawn the said notification with

effect from 1 September 2002; amended PCT Rule 4.10 will therefore apply as from that date with respect to the Japan Patent Office. Therefore, as from 1 September 2002, the Japan Patent Office, as a designated or elected Office, will recognize the effects of a priority claim based on an earlier application filed in a Member of the WTO that is not party to the Paris Convention.

Note that, as from 1 September 2002, the only designated or elected Office for which PCT Rule 4.10, as applicable from 1 January 2000, will still not be compatible with the applicable national law will be the European Patent Office.

Selection of PCT MATERIALS ON INTERNET (<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/>)

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- *PCT Newsletter* (Nos. 01/1997-08/2002); Practical Advice published in the *PCT Newsletter* between March 1994 and December 1996 and search facility for all Practical Advice
- PCT Press Releases/Updates
- The PCT in 2001

Seminar calendar and seminar materials:

- seminar documents: February 2002 (English); April 2002 (French and German); May 2001 (Spanish);

PCT meetings (documents):

- Committee (21-25 May 2001; 1-5 July 2002) and Working Group on Reform of the PCT (12-15 November 2001; 29 April-3 May 2002)
- PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation (23 September to 1 October 2002)
- PCT Assembly: 1978-2002

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TIME LIMITS FOR ENTERING THE NATIONAL PHASE

On the tear-out sheets in the center of this issue an updated version of a table published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 03/2002, indicates, for each designated/elected Office, the time limits for entering the national (or regional) phase under Chapters I and II of the PCT (that is, respectively, where the Contracting State concerned has been designated but has not been elected under Chapter II within 19 months from the priority date and where the Contracting State concerned has been so elected within 19 months from the priority date).

The revised table takes into account changes since 1 April 2002, including the applicable time limits following the withdrawal by certain Offices of notifications of non-applicability of the new time limit under PCT Article 22(1), and new time limits for certain Offices under PCT Articles 22(3) and 39(1)(b).

PCT REFORM: SECOND SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON REFORM OF THE PCT

The second session of the Committee on Reform of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) was held in Geneva from 1 to 5 July 2002 and was attended by representatives from 50 PCT Contracting States and from an intergovernmental organization (the European Patent Office) as members of the Committee, as well as 5 observer States, 4 intergovernmental organizations and 11 international and national non-governmental organizations as observers.

PCT QUIZ

Last month's question was:

When is it possible to correct an erroneous or incomplete priority claim in an international application?

The answer is "(c) within four months from the international filing date." It is *always possible* to submit a notice requesting the correction (or indeed addition) of a priority claim until the expiration of a guaranteed minimum of four months from the international filing date.

Note, however, that it is *also possible* to correct an erroneous or incomplete priority claim in the case where the earliest of the following time limits expires later than the four-month time limit:

- 16 months from the priority date, or
- where any addition of a priority claim would cause a change in the priority date, 16 months from the priority date so changed.

See PCT Rule 26bis.1(a), *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, paras. 245–247, and the practical advice section in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/1998.

Based on proposals prepared by the International Bureau, and taking into account the results of the work of the Working Group on Reform of the PCT, the Committee approved proposals, with a view to their submission to the PCT Assembly in September 2002, to simplify and streamline PCT procedures, including proposals for an enhanced international search and preliminary examination system, for an overhaul of the operation of the designation system, and for changes related to the Patent Law Treaty (PLT) (such proposals were already outlined in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 12/2001 and 06/2002).

The proposed enhanced international search and preliminary examination system may be seen as an important first step towards a more extensive rationalization of the PCT international search and international preliminary examination procedures,

with a view ultimately to achieving greater convergence of the international and national procedures. It is recalled that the main feature of the proposed new system is that one of the main elements of the present Chapter II procedure, namely, the establishment of an examiner's opinion, would in effect be advanced and incorporated into the Chapter I procedure. Under the new system, the International Searching Authority (ISA) would be responsible for establishing a preliminary and non-binding written opinion on the questions whether the claimed invention appears to be novel, to involve an inventive step and to be industrially applicable. That written opinion of the ISA would be used for the purposes both of Chapter I and, if the applicant files a demand for international preliminary examination, of Chapter II, thus combining the international search and international preliminary examination procedures to a much greater extent than is the case at present.

It is also recalled that the proposed new PCT designation system will allow the applicant, when filing an international application, to obtain an automatic and all-inclusive coverage of all designations available under the Treaty, including all kinds of protection as well as both national and regional patent protection, without needing, at the time of filing the application, to designate individual Contracting States, to choose certain kinds of protection or to indicate expressly whether national or regional protection is sought; such matters would be left for the national phase.

The Committee also agreed on proposals for further work to reform the PCT system. It agreed to recommend to the PCT Assembly that two sessions of the Working Group on Reform of the PCT should be convened between the September 2002 and September 2003 sessions of the PCT Assembly which would include a detailed review of outstanding reform proposals and consideration of the options available for revising the Treaty itself.

For further information, see the documents which were prepared for discussion at the meeting, as well as the Report of the session, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/meetings/reform_c/index_2.htm

TYPES OF PROTECTION AVAILABLE IN PCT CONTRACTING STATES

Since the publication in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2001 of a table setting out, for each Contracting State, the types of protection which can be obtained via the PCT, several States have become bound by the PCT, and there have also been changes in the types of protection other than patents which are available in certain States. An update of that table appears in the tear-out sheets in the center of this issue.

STATES PARTY TO THE PCT AND THE PARIS CONVENTION AND MEMBERS OF THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

It is recalled that under PCT Rule 4.10(a) it is possible to claim in an international application the priority of one or more earlier applications filed in, or for, any country party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or in, or for, any Member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) that is not party to that Convention. The table in the tear-out sheets in the center of this issue which lists the Contracting States of the PCT, together with the States party to the Paris Convention and Members of the WTO, updates the table which was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 08/2001.

RECEIVING OFFICES PREPARED TO ACCEPT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS CONTAINING SEQUENCE LISTINGS FILED UNDER SECTION 801(a)

It is recalled that under Section 801(b) of the *Administrative Instructions under the PCT*, any receiving Office that is prepared to accept the filing in computer readable form of the sequence listing part of international applications should notify the International Bureau accordingly. So far, the International Bureau has been so notified by eight Offices. The corresponding table on the tear-out sheets in the center of this issue lists those Offices, and the respective electronic media on which each Office will accept such filings.

Note, however, that under Section 801(c), a receiving Office which has not made a notification under Section 801(b) may

nevertheless decide in a particular case to accept an international application, the sequence listing part of which is filed with it under Section 801(a) in computer readable form. Should you wish to file such an application and the receiving Office with which you wish to file is not listed in the table, you should contact that Office to find out whether it will accept such a filing, and if so, which type of electronic media it accepts.

PCT INFORMATION UPDATE

ID Indonesia (name of Office)

The name of the Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Indonesia) has changed, as follows:

Direktorat Jenderal Hak Kekayaan Intelektual

Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Indonesia)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (ID))

IL Israel (fees)

As from 15 August 2002, there will be a change in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office:

transmittal fee:	see Table I(a)
fee for priority document:	ILS 38
plus, per page:	ILS 2.60

The amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, has changed:

filing fee:	ILS 881
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (IL), and Vol. II/B, National Chapter, Summary (IL))

LU Luxembourg (fees)

The first and second annual fees, payable to the Intellectual Property Office (Luxembourg) as designated (or elected) Office are no longer due. The first annual fee which has to be paid is now the third annual fee, the amount of which has not changed.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. II/B, National Chapter, Summary (LU))

Search fee and other fees relating to the international search (Australian Patent Office, European Patent Office, United States Patent and Trademark Office)

As from 1 September 2002, there will be a change in the amount payable in AUD for an international search carried out by the Australian Patent Office, as indicated in Table I(b). The equivalent amounts of that fee in other currencies are not yet known and will be announced as soon as possible. There will also be a change in the following fees:

additional search fee:	AUD 1,000
fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report	AUD 25

As from 1 September 2002, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in ZAR for an international search carried out by the European Patent Office, and as from 15 September 2002, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in NZD for an international search carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as indicated in Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex D (AU, EP and US))

Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to the international preliminary examination (Australian Patent Office)

As from 1 September 2002, there will be a change in the amount payable in AUD for an international preliminary examination carried out by the Australian Patent Office, as indicated in Table II. There will also be a change in the following fees:

additional preliminary examination fee:	AUD 550
fee for copies of documents cited in the international preliminary examination report:	AUD 25
fee for copies of documents contained in the file of the international application:	AUD 25

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

PCT PUBLICATIONS

Conference on the International Patent System

It was announced in *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2002, page 5, that a CD-ROM on the Conference on the International Patent System, which took place in March 2002, was going to be produced. The CD-ROM is now available for purchase. It is recalled that the CD-ROM includes the text of presentations, as well as video interviews with many of the speakers of the conference, hyperlinks to the audio presentations of each speaker, and pictures of the speakers.

The CD-ROM, the price of which is 33 Swiss Francs by regular mail or 36 Swiss francs by priority mail, may be ordered, quoting WIPO publication No. CD777, from the Marketing and Distribution Section at WIPO:

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 e-mail: publications.mail@wipo.int
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STATISTICS ON THE FILING OF DECLARATIONS UNDER PCT RULE 4.17

It is recalled that amendments to the PCT Regulations entered into force on 1 March 2001 which made it possible for applicants, if they wish, to include in the request part of their international applications, certain declarations using standardized wording, for the purposes of processing by designated Offices in the national phase, thus simplifying the national phase for both applicants and national/regional Offices. The table on pages 10 and 11 shows, for the first year following the entry into force of the amendments, the number of each type of declaration under PCT Rule 4.17 filed with each receiving Office that received such declarations during that period.

Of the 14,013 declarations filed: 38.8% were declarations of inventorship for the US designation (PCT Rule 4.17(iv)); 34.0% were declarations as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent (PCT Rule 4.17(ii)); 22.0% were declarations as to the applicant's entitlement, as

at the international filing date, to claim priority of the earlier application (PCT Rule 4.17(iii)); 4.2% were declarations as to the identity of the inventor (PCT Rule 4.17(i)) and 1.0% were declarations as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty (PCT Rule 4.17(v)).

The receiving Offices with which the most declarations were filed during that period were RO/US (25.9% of all declarations), RO/CN (18.5%), RO/EP (11.7%), RO/DE (7.9%), RO/GB (7.2%), and RO/FR (6.6%).

The following list shows, for each type of declaration, the receiving Offices with which the most declarations were filed (in ranking order):

PCT Rule 4.17(i): RO/US
RO/FR
RO/EP
RO/GB
RO/IB

PCT Rule 4.17(ii): RO/US
RO/CN
RO/EP
RO/DE
RO/GB

PCT Rule 4.17(iii): RO/US
RO/CN
RO/EP
RO/FR
RO/GB

PCT Rule 4.17(iv): RO/CN
RO/US
RO/EP
RO/DE
RO/GB

PCT Rule 4.17(v): RO/JP
RO/KR
RO/US
RO/IB
RO/ES

BACKLOG IN PCT OPERATIONS AT THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

In the March issue of the *PCT Newsletter* (No. 03/2002), PCT users were warned of possible future problems relating to the processing of international applications at the International Bureau, following the large backlog of applications which was experienced at the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office (RO/US) (for background, see also *PCT*

Newsletter Nos. 10/2001, page 6, 11/2001, page 7, and 12/2001, page 3).

The International Bureau has recently been faced with a considerable increase in its workload following the receipt of the backlog of applications from RO/US, and, as a result, certain unavoidable delays may occur, for example in the publication of a few international applications. The International Bureau will, however, do its best to ensure that the processing of applications takes place as smoothly and promptly as is possible under the current circumstances.

ON-LINE ENTRY INTO THE EUROPEAN REGIONAL PHASE

Since 1 June 2002, it has been possible to file EPO Form 1200 (which is recommended for use when entering the European regional phase before the European Patent Office (EPO) as designated or elected Office) on-line using the *epoline*® software, irrespective of whether the international application was originally filed in electronic or paper form. For further details, see the "Notice dated 1 June 2002 concerning the electronic filing of European patent applications and subsequent documents," *Official Journal of the EPO* No. 7/2002, page 372, also available at: http://www.european-patent-office.org/news/info/2002_05_23_e.htm).

It is recalled that no PCT receiving Office (including the EPO) has yet notified the International Bureau that it will accept the filing, for the purposes of the *international* phase, of international applications in electronic form (see PCT Rule 89bis.1(d) and the *Administrative Instructions under the PCT*, Part 7).

MEXICO: POWER OF ATTORNEY REQUIREMENTS IN THE NATIONAL PHASE

The Mexican Institute of Industrial Property has confirmed the following to the International Bureau. In the national phase before the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property, **no additional formalities are required for the power of attorney** other than those which are referred to in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. II/B, National Chapter (MX). If the applicant is not resident in Mexico, an agent must be

appointed by filing a simple power of attorney signed in the presence of two witnesses, each of whom must sign that power and indicate his address. In addition, but only in the case of an applicant which is a legal entity, the power must state that the person signing on behalf of that legal entity has authority to do so and must cite the relevant document supporting such statement.

A model power of attorney is available in both the paper version and the Internet version of the above-mentioned National Chapter, as well as further information on entry into the national phase before the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property.

If you have any questions on the above matter, please contact the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property.

PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES—*corrigendum*

Please note that in the list of PCT Contracting States and two-letter codes which was published on the last page of last month's issue of the *PCT Newsletter*, the indication that Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia and Slovakia can be designated for a European patent was inadvertently omitted. The corresponding page in this issue has been corrected.

PRACTICAL ADVICE

Requesting the recording of a change after the filing of a demand under Chapter II

Q: I have filed a demand for international preliminary examination on behalf of a corporate applicant which will shortly be changing the address of its premises. I would like to request that the change of address be recorded under PCT Rule 92bis. Since a demand has been filed, should that request be filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority?

A: Requests for the recording of a change under PCT Rule 92bis should, in practice, only be submitted to the International Bureau (IB). Although they may also be submitted to the receiving Office, in which case that Office will notify the IB of the request for change, it is important to note that it is always the date of receipt **at the IB** of the request for recording of a change

that will determine whether or not the change will be recorded. If that request is received by the IB within the time limit prescribed under PCT Rule 92bis.1(b) (30 months from the priority date), the IB will record the change and notify all Offices and PCT Authorities interested in the change accordingly, **including**, as long as the international preliminary examination report has not been established, **the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA)** (see *the Administrative Instructions under the PCT*, Section 422 and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, para. 429). If the request reaches the IB after the expiration of that time limit, it will not be recorded by the IB and the applicant will have to inform each elected Office separately of the change during the national phase.

Although there is nothing to prevent you from informing the IPEA of the change, that Authority is not obliged to communicate your request to the IB. Even if it does so notify the IB, there is a risk that this may occur after the time limit applicable under PCT Rule 92bis.1(b) has expired (see previous paragraph). Note, however, that in the case where such a change occurs prior to, or at, the time of filing of the demand, it may be useful, in order to avoid unnecessary requests by the IPEA for clarification of discrepancies, if the applicant sends direct to the IPEA a **copy of** the request for recording of a change, the original being submitted to the IB.

Note that, since PCT Rule 92bis provides for the filing of a request for recording of a change only with the receiving Office or the IB, you are entitled to sign such a request only if you have been appointed to represent the applicants before the receiving Office for the purposes of Chapter I (see PCT Rule 90.1(a))—if you have been appointed only for the purposes of Chapter II before the IPEA (see PCT Rule 90.1(c)), you will not be entitled to sign it; the agent appointed under Chapter I will have to do this.

For further information on requesting the recording of changes under PCT Rule 92bis, see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, paras. 427–431 and *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 10/1995, 10/1997, 05/2002 and 06/2002.

PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR			
Dates and Location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
11–13 August 2002 Washington, D.C. (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel Other speaker: Mr. Reed (The Procter & Gamble Company)	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1–804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1–804) 296 39 99
15–17 August 2002 Washington, D.C. (US)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: [as above] Other speaker: [as above]	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1–804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1–804) 296 39 99
5–6 September 2002 Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)	English	WIPO National Seminar on Industrial Property and the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Herce-Vigil, Mrs. Simon-Vianes and Mr. Farag	Ethiopian Science and Technology Commission (Mr. Getachew Mengistie) Tel: (251–1) 51 13 44
11–12 September 2002 Asmara (Eritrea)	English	WIPO National Seminar on Industrial Property and the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Herce-Vigil, Mrs. Simon-Vianes and Mr. Farag	Ministry of Trade and Industry (Eritrea) (Mr. Tewolde Woldemichael Deress) Tel: (291–1) 11 51 88/11 78 44
12–13 September 2002 Geneva (CH)	English	Basic PCT seminar on the PCT system WIPO speakers: to be announced	PCT Legal Division, WIPO (Mrs. Paola Conti Lander) Tel: (41–22) 338 81 93 Fax: (41–22) 910 00 30 Internet (for further information and registration form): www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/registration.pdf
12–13 September 2002 Ulaan Baatar (MN)	English	WIPO National Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) WIPO speakers: Mr. Wang, Mr. Sinha and Mr. Jargalsaikhan	Intellectual Property Office of Mongolia (Mr. Namjil Chinbat) Tel: (976–11) 32 72 67 Fax: (976–11) 32 76 38
16–17 September 2002 Copenhagen (DK)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Bryan and Ms. Trpkovska	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEPI) and the Danish Patent and Trademark Office (Ms. Inge-Lise Høybye) Tel: (45–43) 50 80 00 Fax: (45–43) 50 80 01 E-mail: pvs@dkpto.dk
8 October 2002 Iselin, New Jersey (US)	English	PCT presentation at the PIUG 2002 Northeast Workshop WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Patent Information Users Group (PIUG) (Ms. Elyse Turner) Tel: (1–732) 594 64 18 Fax: (1–732) 594 58 32 E-mail: elyse_turner@merck.com Internet: www.piug.org/ne02meet.html
8–9 October 2002 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
10 October 2002 Munich (DE)	German	PCT-EASY course WIPO speaker: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de

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10 October 2002 Stockholm (SE)	English	PCT presentation at the "Patent Updating Day" seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Thomas	Swedish Patent Office (Mr. Christer Eklöf) Tel: (46-8) 782 28 32 Fax: (46-8) 783 01 63 E-mail: christer.eklof@prv.se
31 October– 1 November 2002 San Francisco (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker(s): to be announced	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
4–5 November 2002 Bridgetown (BB)	English	WIPO National Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Regis and Ms. Featherby Other speakers: Mr. Watkins (University of Akron, US), Ms. Tammy Griffiths (Attorney-at- Law, BB)	Corporate Affairs and Intellectual Property Office (Barbados) (Mrs. Maureen Crane Scott) Tel: (1-246) 436 48 18 Fax: (1-246) 437 30 72 E-mail: caipo@caribsurf.com
4–5 November 2002 Chicago (US)	English	Advanced PCT training session WIPO speaker(s): to be announced	The John Marshall Law School Department of Event Management Tel: (1-312) 987 14 20 Fax: (1-312) 427 71 28 E-mail: Events@jmls.edu
26–27 November 2002 Paris (FR)	French	Basic PCT seminar on PCT procedures WIPO speaker: Mr. Baron	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Mrs. Christiane Sadrin) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33-1) 42 93 63 52
11–12 December 2002 London (GB)	English	PCT seminar: "Advanced PCT Formalities" WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Trpkovska	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44-1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
6–8 January 2003 Zurich (CH)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of a Postgraduate Program in Intellectual Property WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH) NDS Intellectual Property (Ms. Elise Brandstätter) Tel: (41-1) 632 68 11 E-mail: brandstaetter@recht.gess.ethz.ch Internet: http://www.nds-ge.ethz.ch

Declarations under PCT Rule 4.17 filed by applicants in respect of international applications filed between 1 March 2001 and 28 February 2002						
Receiving Office ¹	Under PCT Rule 4.17(i) ²	Under PCT Rule 4.17(ii) ³	Under PCT Rule 4.17 (iii) ⁴	Under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) ⁵	Under PCT Rule 4.17(v) ⁶	Combination ⁷
AP	0	0	1	2	0	0
AT	2	1	8	51	0	0
AU	10	15	15	32	1	0
BA	3	3	0	3	1	0
BE	22	36	5	91	1	0
BG	5	7	3	16	0	0
BR	9	7	6	9	0	0
BY	1	6	6	9	0	0
CA	24	81	54	78	1	0
CH	3	2	7	57	1	0
CN	2	937	662	991	0	0
CR	0	1	1	4	0	0
CY	0	0	0	4	0	0
CZ	2	4	2	19	0	0
DE	23	487	64	532	2	0
DK	2	8	9	51	0	0
DZ	2	1	1	4	0	0
EA	0	0	0	1	0	0
EE	0	1	0	1	0	0
EP	55	536	350	701	2	0
ES	30	20	6	37	4	0
FI	2	117	33	100	2	0
FR	90	166	239	427	2	0
GB	48	334	117	501	3	3
GR	3	1	0	25	0	0
HR	0	0	0	6	0	0
HU	1	7	2	16	0	0
IB	34	115	72	116	10	1
ID	1	0	0	4	0	0
IE	1	16	5	14	0	0
IL	16	19	12	39	0	0
IN	5	26	13	24	0	0

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Declarations under PCT Rule 4.17 filed by applicants in respect of international applications filed between 1 March 2001 and 28 February 2002 [continued]						
Receiving Office ¹	Under PCT Rule 4.17(i) ²	Under PCT Rule 4.17(ii) ³	Under PCT Rule 4.17 (iii) ⁴	Under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) ⁵	Under PCT Rule 4.17(v) ⁶	Combination ⁷
IS	0	0	0	9	0	0
IT	18	53	31	113	0	0
JP	12	51	32	97	74	0
KR	1	3	4	12	16	0
LT	0	1	0	2	0	0
LV	0	0	0	2	0	0
MK	0	0	0	1	0	0
MX	6	4	3	12	0	0
NL	0	25	0	4	0	0
NO	1	21	1	27	0	0
NZ	4	12	11	7	1	0
PH	0	2	2	9	0	0
PL	0	3	1	3	0	0
PT	2	2	1	6	2	0
RO	0	1	1	1	0	0
RU	8	11	6	48	0	0
SD	1	1	1	1	0	0
SE	4	134	24	248	0	0
SG	7	26	13	37	0	0
SK	5	1	7	3	0	0
TR	1	2	2	3	0	0
UA	0	0	0	1	0	0
US	122	1,456	1,247	791	11	0
YU	0	1	1	28	0	0
ZA	4	3	1	3	1	0
TOTAL	592	4,767	3,082	5,433	135	4

1. Receiving Office with which international application was filed.
2. Declaration as to the identity of the inventor.
3. Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent.
4. Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim priority of the earlier application.
5. Declaration of inventorship (for the US designation only).
6. Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty.
7. Combination of declarations under PCT Rules 4.17(i) and 4.17(ii).

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 fee per sheet over 30, the designation fee and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States; see footnote 12 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 footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

eq	equivalent of –	BGL	Bulgarian lev	GEL	Georgian lari	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRR	Brazilian real	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	LVL	Latvian lat	SIT	Slovenian tolar
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
n a	not applicable	BZD	Belize dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MDL	Moldovan leu	TJS	Tajik somoni
RO	receiving Office	CAD	Canadian dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MKD	Macedonian denar	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CHF	Swiss franc	ILS	New Israel shekel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	INR	Indian rupee	MXP	Mexican peso	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CUP	Cuban convertible peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
		CYP	Cyprus pound	JPY	Japanese yen	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PHP	Philippine peso	YUD	Yugoslavian dinar
ALL	Albanian lek	DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZAR	South African rand
AMD	Armenian dram	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	KP won	ROL	Romanian leu	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	EEK	Estonian kroon	KRW	KR won	RUR	Russian rouble		
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SDP	Sudanese pound		
		GBP	Pound sterling	LSM	Lesotho loti	SEK	Swedish krona		

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

(as at 1 August 2002, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3,4} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,5,6} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁷
AE	AED ⁸ —	AED eq CHF 650	15	140	n a	AT AU
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 650	15	140	n a	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 407	9	88	125	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 407	9	88	125	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 50	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
AU	AUD 100	AUD 746	17	161	230	AU
AZ	AZM eq USD 15 plus mailing costs	USD 407	9	88	n a	EP RU
BA	EUR 25.56	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
BE	EUR 40	EUR 444	10	96	137	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	eq CHF 200	AT EP SE US
BY	BYR eq USD 70	USD 407	9	88	n a	EP RU
BZ	BZD 220	USD 407	9	88	125	EP
CA	CAD 200	CAD 639	15	138	197	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 175	USD 407	9	88	125	EP ES
CU	USD (or eq CUP) ²⁰⁰	USD (or eq CUP) ⁴⁰⁷	9	88	125	AT EP ES RU
CY	CYP 75	CYP 258	6	56	n a	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	CZK eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP

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Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued]
(as at 1 August 2002, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3,4} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,5,6} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁷
DE	EUR 90	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 3,300	80	710	1,020	EP SE
DZ	DZD ⁸ —	CHF 650	15	140	200	AT EP
EA	RUR eq USD 50	USD 407	9	88	125	EP RU
EC	USD ⁸ —	USD 407	9	88	125	EP ES
EE	EEK 1,800	EEK eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
EP	EUR 100	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
ES	EUR 61.51	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP SE
FR	EUR 60	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
GB	GBP 55	GBP 278	6	60	86	EP
GE	GEL ⁹ 10	USD 407	9	88	125	EP RU
GH	GHC ¹⁰ 2,500 or 5,000	USD 407	9	88	n a	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
HU	HUF ¹¹ 10,000	HUF eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹² 100 or USD ¹² 60	CHF 650 or USD 407	15 9	140 88	200 125	See footnote 13
ID	IDR 500,000	IDR eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	AU EP RU
IE	EUR 76.00	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
IL	ILS 445 (from 15.8.02: 459)	USD 407	9	88	125	EP US
IN	INR 5,000 (filing by indiv: 1,500)	USD 407	9	88	125	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 5,500	ISK 41,300	1,000	8,900	11,600	EP SE
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 444	10	96	n a	EP
JP	JPY 18,000	JPY 47,800	1,100	10,300	14,700	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv) 250 plus cost of mailing	USD 407	9	88	125	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 407	9	88	125	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 530,000	12,000	114,000	163,000	AT AU JP ¹⁴ KR
KZ	KZT ⁸ —	USD 407	9	88	125	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 407	9	88	n a	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM ⁸ —	LSM eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	USD 407	9	88	n a	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 444	10	96	n.a.	EP
LV	LVL 47.20	USD 407	9	88	125	EP RU
MA	None	CHF 650	15	140	n a	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 49	EUR 444	10	96	n a	EP
MD	MDL 180	USD 407	9	88	125	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 25,000	600	5,400	7,700	EP

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Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued]

(as at 1 August 2002, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3,4} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,5,6} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁷
MX	MXP ³ eq USD 200	MXP eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP ES SE US
NL	EUR 50	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
NO	NOK 500	NOK 3,560	80	770	1,090	EP SE
NZ	NZD 180	NZD 890	20	192	274	AU EP US
OM	Information not yet available					
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 407	9	88	125	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLZ 300	PLZ eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	EP
PT	EUR 23.19	EUR 444	10	96	137	EP
RO	ROL 300,000	CHF 650	15	140	200	AT EP RU
RU	RUR 294	USD 407	9	88	125	EP RU
SD	SDP 50	SDP eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 4,390	100	950	1,350	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 720	17	156	222	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	TJS ⁸ —	USD 407	9	88	n a	EP RU
TM	USD ⁸ —	USD 407	9	88	125	EP RU
TN	TND ⁸ —	CHF 650	15	140	n a	EP
TR	CHF 100	CHF 650	15	140	200	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 407	9	88	125	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH 255	USD 407	9	88	n a	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 407	9	88	125	EP US
UZ	USD ⁸ —	USD 407	9	88	125	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 3,000	YUD eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 4,870 (from 1.8.02: 4,240)	112 (98)	1,050 (910)	1,500 (1,300)	AT AU EP US
ZM	Information not yet available					
ZW	ZWD 1,000	ZWD eq USD 407	eq USD 9	eq USD 88	eq USD 125	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — SEARCH FEES

(as at 1 August 2002, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT	EUR 159	CHF 230	KRW 191,000	SGD 259	USD 150	ZAR 1,280		
AU	AUD* 800	CHF 697	KRW**500,000	NZD 978	SGD 700	USD 393		
	ZAR 4,290	* (from 1.9.02: AUD 1,000)		** (from 1.8.02: KRW 568,000)				
CN	CNY 1,500	CHF 290	USD 180					
EP ¹⁵	EUR 945	CAD 1,360	CHF 1,383	CYP 550	DKK 7,030	GBP 592		
	ISK 83,000	JPY 110,000	MWK 53,000	NOK* 7,570	NZD** 2,023	SEK 8,720		
	SGD 1,533	USD 866	ZAR*** 9,450					
	* (from 15.8.02: NOK 7,070)		** (from 15.7.02: NZD 1,889)		*** (from 1.9.02: ZAR 8,730)			
ES ¹⁵	EUR 945	CHF 1,383	USD 866					
JP	JPY 72,000	CHF 980	KRW 798,000	USD 535				
KR	KRW 150,000	CHF 180	USD 120					
RU ¹⁶	USD 300	CHF 480						
SE	SEK 8,720	CHF 1,383	DKK 7,030	EUR 945	ISK 83,000	NOK* 7,570		
	USD 866	* (from 15.8.02: NOK 7,070)						
US	USD 700	450 ¹⁷	CHF 1,118	719 ¹⁷	NZD* 1,590	1,020 ¹⁷	ZAR** 8,000	5,200 ¹⁷
	* (from 15.9.02: NZD 1,440 920 ¹⁷)		** (from 1.9.02: ZAR 7,000 4,500 ¹⁷)					

Table II — PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FEES

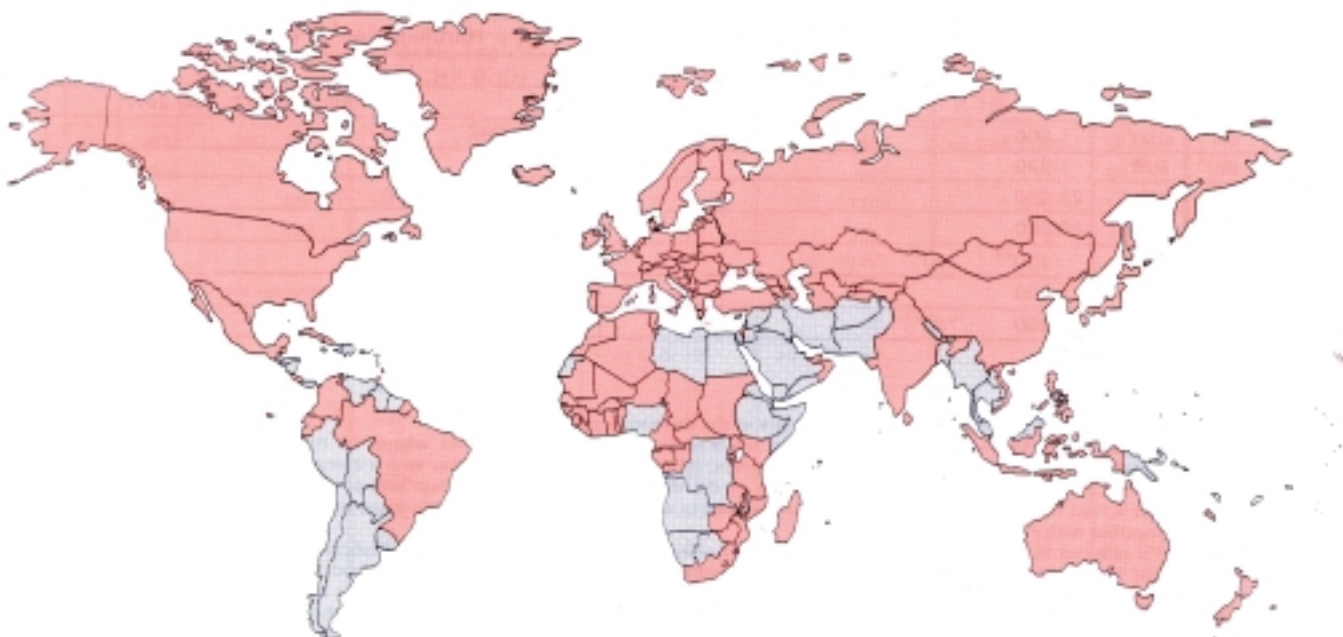
(as at 1 August 2002, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ¹⁸		Handling fee ^{3,18} (CHF 233)	
AT	EUR	159	EUR	159
AU	AUD	450	AUD	267
		(from 1.9.02: AUD 550 1,000 ¹⁹)		
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	233
EP ¹⁵	EUR	1,530	EUR	159
JP	JPY	28,000	JPY	17,100
KR	KRW	150,000	KRW	190,000
RU ¹⁶	USD	200 ²⁰ 300 ²¹	USD	146
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,570
US	USD	490 750 ²²	USD	146

Footnotes to fee tables:

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 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 PCT application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept the filing of PCT applications containing requests in PCT-EASY format together with PCT-EASY diskettes.
- 3 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, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Dominica, Ecuador, Equatorial Guinea, 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, Niger, Philippines, 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, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, Zambia or Zimbabwe. For further details, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/1995, cover page, No. 11/1995, page 6, and No. 05/1996, cover page.
- 4 Where the PCT application as filed contains a sequence listing part in computer readable form only, or both in that form and on paper, under Section 801 of the PCT *Administrative Instructions*, and where that application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept such filings, a fixed component of 400 times the fee per sheet over 30 is payable for the sequence listing part, irrespective of the actual length of that part (see Section 803(ii) of the *Administrative Instructions*).
- 5 The maximum number of designation fees payable is five.
- 6 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).
- 7 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 8 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.
- 9 This fee is reduced by 80% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 10 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.
- 11 A supplement of HUF 500 is also payable for each claim in excess of 10.
- 12 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated in footnote 3.
- 13 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 (I/B).
- 14 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 15 The search fee payable to the EPO and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as well as the preliminary examination fee payable to the EPO, are 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 a State not party to the European Patent Convention, which fulfils the requirements for the corresponding reduction of certain PCT fees as specified in the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations, and in accordance with the decision of the EPO's Administrative Council of 11 October 2000, the text of which was included in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2000. The States concerned are those indicated in footnote 3, with the exception of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Slovakia and Turkey.
- 16 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.
- 17 Payable when a corresponding prior US national application has been filed under 35 USC 111(a) and the basic filing fee for that US application has been paid.
- 18 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 19 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 20 Payable when the international search report was established by the Russian Patent Office.
- 21 In all cases where footnote 20 does not apply.
- 22 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 (US)).

PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES (116 on 1 August 2002)



AE United Arab Emirates	CO Colombia	ID Indonesia	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia ¹	SN Senegal (OA) ²
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) ²	ML Mali (OA) ²	SZ Swaziland (AP) ²
AL Albania ¹	CU Cuba	IL Israel	MN Mongolia	TD Chad (OA) ²
AM Armenia (EA)	CY Cyprus (EP) ²	IN India	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	TG Togo (OA) ²
AT Austria (EP)	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IS Iceland	MW Malawi (AP)	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
AU Australia	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ²	MX Mexico	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DK Denmark (EP)	JP Japan	MZ Mozambique (AP)	TN Tunisia
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina	DM Dominica	KE Kenya (AP)	NE Niger (OA) ²	TR Turkey (EP)
BB Barbados	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BE Belgium (EP) ²	EC Ecuador	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NO Norway	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	EE Estonia (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NZ New Zealand	UA Ukraine
BG Bulgaria (EP)	ES Spain (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	OM Oman	UG Uganda (AP)
BJ Benin (OA) ²	FI Finland (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	PH Philippines	US United States of America
BR Brazil	FR France (EP) ²	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PL Poland	UZ Uzbekistan
BY Belarus (EA)	GA Gabon (OA) ²	LK Sri Lanka	PT Portugal (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (from 6 August 2002)
BZ Belize	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LR Liberia	RO Romania ¹	VN Viet Nam
CA Canada	GD Grenada	LS Lesotho (AP)	RU Russian Federation (EA)	YU Yugoslavia
CF Central African Republic (OA) ²	GE Georgia	LT Lithuania ¹	SD Sudan (AP)	ZA South Africa
CG Congo (OA) ²	GH Ghana (AP)	LU Luxembourg (EP)	SE Sweden (EP)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CH Switzerland (EP)	GM Gambia (AP)	LV Latvia ¹	SG Singapore	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	GN Guinea (OA) ²	MA Morocco	SI Slovenia ¹	
CM Cameroon (OA) ²	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ²	MC Monaco (EP) ²	SK Slovakia (EP)	
CN China	GR Greece (EP) ²	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	SL Sierra Leone (AP)	
	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ²	MG Madagascar		
	HR Croatia			
	HU Hungary			

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 July 2002. The forms are reproduced in Annexes X and Y, respectively, in Vol. I/B of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (July 2002 update), and can be printed from the WIPO Internet site, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/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.

**TIME LIMITS FOR ENTERING NATIONAL/REGIONAL PHASE
UNDER PCT CHAPTERS I AND II
APPLICABLE ON 1 APRIL 2002 OR SUBSEQUENTLY**

(table updated on 1 August 2002—changes since 1 April 2002 are underlined)
(in months from priority date, or from international filing date if there is no priority claim)

Note that unless reference to a footnote is made, the time limit under Chapter I will apply, as from 1 April 2002, to international applications in respect of which the period of 20 months from the priority date expires on or after 1 April 2002 and in respect of which the acts referred to in PCT Article 22(1) have not yet been performed by the applicant. If the period of 20 months from the priority date expires before 1 April 2002, see the time limits in the corresponding table in *PCT Newsletter* No. 05/2001.

Note that detailed information on the excuse of delays in meeting time limits before certain designated/elected Offices is contained in the corresponding National Chapters of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. II.

DO/EO ¹	CHAPTER I (under PCT Article 22)	CHAPTER II (under PCT Article 39(1))	DO/EO ¹	CHAPTER I (under PCT Article 22)	CHAPTER II (under PCT Article 39(1))
Regional Offices					
<u>AP</u> ¹	<u>31</u> *	31**	EP ¹	31*, ³	31**
EA	31*, ²	31**	OA ¹	30	30
National Offices					
AE	30	30	<u>GB</u> ⁶	<u>31</u> *, ⁷	31**
AG ⁴	30	30	GD ⁴	30	30
AL	30	31**	GE	30	31**
AM ⁵	30	31**	GH ¹¹	30	30
AT ⁶	30	30	GM ¹¹	30	31**
<u>AU</u>	<u>31</u> *, ⁷	31**	<u>HR</u>	<u>31</u> *, ⁷	31**
AZ ⁵	30	31**	HU	21*, ^{***}	30
<u>BA</u>	30 (<u>34</u> ⁸)	31**(<u>34</u> ⁸)	ID	30	31**
BB	30	30	IL	20***	30
BG	21*, ^{***}	31**	<u>IN</u>	<u>31</u> *, ¹²	31**
BR	20***	30	IS	30	30
<u>BY</u> ⁵	<u>31</u> *	31**	<u>JP</u>	20***(<u>30</u> ¹³)	30
BZ	30	31**	KE ¹¹	30	30
<u>CA</u>	<u>30</u> (<u>42</u> ⁹)	30 (<u>42</u> ⁹)	KG ⁵	30	31**
CH ^{1,6}	20***	30	KP	30	30
CN	20***	30	KR	20***	30
CO	30	31**	<u>KZ</u> ⁵	<u>31</u> *(<u>33</u> ⁹)	31**(<u>33</u> ⁹)
<u>CR</u>	<u>31</u> *	31**	LC ⁴	30	30
CU	30	30	LK	30	30
<u>CZ</u>	<u>31</u> *, ¹⁰	<u>31</u> **, ¹⁰	LR	30	31**
DE ⁶	30	30	LS ¹¹	30	31**
DK ⁶	20***	30	<u>LT</u>	<u>31</u> *	31**
DM ⁴	30	30	LU ⁶	20***	30
<u>DZ</u>	<u>31</u> *	31**	<u>LV</u>	<u>31</u> *	31**
<u>EC</u>	<u>31</u> *	31**	MA	30	31**
EE	20***	30	<u>MD</u> ⁵	<u>31</u> *	31**
ES ⁶	30	30	MG	30	30
FI ⁶	20***	30	<u>MK</u>	<u>31</u> *	31**

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TIME LIMITS FOR ENTERING NATIONAL/REGIONAL PHASE UNDER PCT CHAPTERS I AND II APPLICABLE ON 1 APRIL 2002 OR SUBSEQUENTLY (table updated on 1 August 2002) [continued]					
DO/EO ¹	CHAPTER I (under PCT Article 22)	CHAPTER II (under PCT Article 39(1))	DO/EO ¹	CHAPTER I (under PCT Article 22)	CHAPTER II (under PCT Article 39(1))
National Offices [continued]					
MN	30	31**	SL¹¹	30	31**
MW¹¹	30	30	TJ⁵	30	31**
MX	30	30	TM⁵	30	31**
MZ¹¹	30	31**	TN⁴	30	30
NO	20***	30	TR⁶	30	30 (33 ⁹)
<u>NZ</u>	31*	31**	TT	30	31**
OM⁴	30	30	TZ¹¹	21*,***	31**
PH⁴	30	30	UA	30	31**
PL	30	30	UG¹¹	21*,***	31**
PT⁶	30	30	US	30	30
RO	30	30	UZ	30	31**
<u>RU⁵</u>	31*	31**	<u>VN</u>	31*	31**
SD¹¹	30	30	YU	20*** (21 ⁹)	30 (31 ⁹)
SE⁶	20***	30	ZA	21*,***	31**
SG	20***	30	ZM¹¹	20***	30
<u>SI</u>	31*	31**	ZW¹¹	30	31**
<u>SK</u>	31*, ¹⁴	31**			

* This time limit has been fixed in accordance with PCT Article 22(3) by the Office concerned.

** This time limit has been fixed in accordance with PCT Article 39(1)(b) by the Office concerned.

*** This Office has notified the International Bureau of the non-applicability of the new time limit under PCT Article 22(1) of 30 months, as modified with effect from 1 April 2002.

- The Offices of the following PCT Contracting States do not act in the capacity of designated Offices (DOs)/elected Offices (EOs). The Office acting as DO/EO for each of those States is shown in parentheses: BE (EP), BF (OA), BJ (OA), CF (OA), CG (OA), CI (OA), CM (OA), CY (EP), FR (EP), GA (OA), GN (OA), GQ (OA), GR (EP), GW (OA), IE (EP), IT (EP), LI (CH), MC (EP), ML (OA), MR (OA), NE (OA), NL (EP), SN (OA), SZ (AP), TD (OA), TG (OA).
- New time limit under PCT Article 22(3) applicable since 1 March 2002.
- New time limit under PCT Article 22(3) applicable since 2 January 2002.
- In the absence of information from the Office concerned, the time limits shown are those which would normally apply under PCT Articles 22(1) and 39(1)(a). If the Office decides to apply longer time limits, that information will be published in the *PCT Newsletter*.
- If designated/elected for a Eurasian patent, see EA as DO/EO for the applicable time limits.
- If designated/elected for a European patent, see EP as DO/EO for the applicable time limits.
- The Office has withdrawn its notification of incompatibility of modified PCT Article 22(1) with the applicable national law with effect from 1 April 2002. This is the new time limit under PCT Article 22(3) applicable since 1 April 2002.
- Time limit under PCT Article 22(3) or 39(1)(b), as the case may be, applicable with effect from 27 August 2002.
- Time limit applicable if applicant pays an additional fee for late entry into the national phase. In the case of Canada, the new 42-month time limit under Chapter I is applicable with effect from 1 April 2002.
- New time limit under PCT Article 22(3) or 39(1)(b), as the case may be, applicable since 18 January 2002.
- If designated/elected for an ARIPO patent, see AP as DO/EO for the applicable time limits.
- New time limit under PCT Article 22(3) applicable since 7 May 2002.
- The Office has withdrawn its notification of incompatibility of modified PCT Article 22(1) with the applicable national law with effect from 1 September 2002. This is the time limit, applicable with effect from 1 September 2002, under PCT Article 22(1), in respect of international applications for which the 20-month time limit expires on or after 1 September 2002 and in respect of which the acts referred to in PCT Article 22(1) have not yet been performed by the applicant.
- The Office has withdrawn its notification of incompatibility of modified PCT Article 22(1) with the applicable national law with effect from 1 August 2002. This is the new time limit under PCT Article 22(3) applicable with effect from 1 August 2002.

TYPES OF PROTECTION AVAILABLE VIA THE PCT IN PCT CONTRACTING STATES (situation on 1 August 2002)								
State	National patent	ARIPO patent (AP)	Eurasian patent (EA)	European patent (EP)	OAPI patent (OA)	Utility model instead of national patent	Utility model in addition to national patent	Other
AE	X					X		Patent of addition
AG ¹	X							
AL	X					X		Extension of EP patent ²
AM	X		X			X		Provisional patent
AT	X			X		X	X	Patent of addition
AU	X							Patent of addition
AZ	X		X			X		
BA	X							Patent of addition
BB	X							
BE				X				
BF					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
BG	X			X		X		
BJ					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
BR	X					X		Certificate of addition
BY	X		X			X		
BZ	X					X		
CA	X							
CF					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
CG					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
CH + LI	X			X				
CI					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
CM					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
CN	X					X		
CO	X					X		
CR	X					X		
CU	X							Patent of addition, inventor's certificate, inventor's certificate of addition
CY				X				
CZ	X			X		X	X	
DE	X			X		X	X	Patent of addition
DK	X			X		X	X	
DM ¹	X							
DZ	X							Certificate of addition
EC	X					X		
EE	X			X		X	X	
ES	X			X		X		Patent of addition
FI	X			X		X	X	
FR				X				
GA					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
GB	X			X				
GD ¹	X							
GE	X					X		

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TYPES OF PROTECTION AVAILABLE VIA THE PCT IN PCT CONTRACTING STATES								
<i>[continued]</i>								
State	National patent	ARIPO patent (AP)	Eurasian patent (EA)	European patent (EP)	OAPI patent (OA)	Utility model instead of patent	Utility model in addition to patent	Other
GH	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Utility certificate
GM	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
GN					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
GQ					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
GR				X				
GW					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
HR	X							"Consensual patent"
HU	X					X		
ID	X							
IE				X				
IL	X							Patent of addition
IN	X							Patent of addition
IS	X							
IT				X				
JP	X					X		
KE	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
KG	X		X			X		Provisional patent
KP	X							Inventor's certificate
KR	X					X		
KZ	X		X			X		Provisional patent
LC	X							
LI (see CH)								
LK	X							
LR	X							
LS	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
LT	X							Extension of EP patent ²
LU	X			X				
LV	X							Extension of EP patent ²
MA	X							Certificate of addition
MC				X				
MD	X		X			X		
MG	X							Certificate of addition
MK	X							Patent of addition, extension of EP patent ²
ML					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
MN	X							
MR					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
MW	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Patent of addition
MX	X					X		
MZ	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
NE					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
NL				X				

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TYPES OF PROTECTION AVAILABLE VIA THE PCT IN PCT CONTRACTING STATES [continued]								
State	National patent	ARIPO patent (AP)	Eurasian patent (EA)	European patent (EP)	OAPI patent (OA)	Utility model instead of patent	Utility model in addition to patent	Other
NO	X							
NZ	X							Patent of addition
OM ¹	X							
PH	X					X		
PL	X					X		Patent of addition
PT	X			X		X		
RO	X							Extension of EP patent ²
RU	X		X			X		
SD	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
SE	X			X				
SG	X							
SI	X ³							Patent of addition ³ , extension of EP patent ^{2,4}
SK	X			X		X	X	
SL	X	X				National or ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
SN					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
SZ		X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
TD					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
TG					X	OAPI utility model		OAPI certificate of addition
TJ	X		X			X		
TM	X		X					Provisional patent
TN	X							
TR	X			X		X		Patent of addition
TT	X							Utility certificate
TZ	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
UA	X					X		
UG	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Utility certificate
US	X							
UZ	X					X		Provisional patent
VC ^{1,5}	X							
VN	X							Patents for utility solution
YU	X							Patent of addition, petty patent
ZA	X							Patent of addition
ZM ¹	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	
ZW	X	X				ARIPO utility model	ARIPO utility model	Patent of addition

1 Information regarding any other type of protection is not yet available.

2 A request for an extension may be made at the time of entry into the regional phase before the European Patent Office, provided that the PCT application contained designations both for a European patent and of the State concerned. Such a request may not be made in the PCT request form itself. See the notes to the request form and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, paragraphs 41 and 89, and Vol. II/A, National Chapter (EP) for further details as to the procedure to be followed.

3 Type of protection available only for international applications filed on or before 6 December 2001.

4 Sole type of protection available for international applications filed on or after 7 December 2001.

5 Will become bound by the PCT on 6 August 2002.

STATES PARTY TO THE PCT AND THE PARIS CONVENTION AND MEMBERS OF THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION (situation on 1 August 2002)							
States/Members	PCT (116)	Paris (163)	WTO (144)	States/Members	PCT	Paris	WTO
Albania (AL)	X	X	X	Cameroon (CM)	X	X	X
Algeria (DZ)	X	X	–	Canada (CA)	X	X	X
Angola (AO)	–	–	X	Central African Republic (CF)	X	X	X
Antigua and Barbuda (AG)	X	X	X	Chad (TD)	X	X	X
Argentina (AR)	–	X	X	Chile (CL)	–	X	X
Armenia (AM)	X	X	–	China (CN)	X ¹	X ^{1,2}	X
Australia (AU)	X	X	X	Colombia (CO)	X	X	X
Austria (AT)	X	X	X	Congo (CG)	X	X	X
Azerbaijan (AZ)	X	X	–	Costa Rica (CR)	X	X	X
Bahamas (BS)	–	X	–	Côte d'Ivoire (CI)	X	X	X
Bahrain (BH)	–	X	X	Croatia (HR)	X	X	X
Bangladesh (BD)	–	X	X	Cuba (CU)	X	X	X
Barbados (BB)	X	X	X	Cyprus (CY)	X	X	X
Belarus (BY)	X	X	–	Czech Republic (CZ)	X	X	X
Belgium (BE)	X	X	X	Democratic People's Republic of Korea (KP)	X	X	–
Belize (BZ)	X	X	X	Democratic Republic of the Congo (CD)	–	X	X
Benin (BJ)	X	X	X	Denmark (DK)	X	X	X
Bhutan (BT)	–	X	–	Djibouti (DJ)	–	X	X
Bolivia (BO)	–	X	X	Dominica (DM)	X	X	X
Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)	X	X	–	Dominican Republic (DO)	–	X	X
Botswana (BW)	–	X	X	Ecuador (EC)	X	X	X
Brazil (BR)	X	X	X	Egypt (EG)	–	X	X
Brunei Darussalam (BN)	–	–	X	El Salvador (SV)	–	X	X
Bulgaria (BG)	X	X	X	Equatorial Guinea (GQ)	X	X	–
Burkina Faso (BF)	X	X	X	Estonia (EE)	X	X	X
Burundi (BI)	–	X	X	European Community	–	–	X
Cambodia (KH)	–	X	–	Fiji (FJ)	–	–	X

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STATES PARTY TO THE PCT AND THE PARIS CONVENTION AND MEMBERS OF THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION <i>[continued]</i> (situation on 1 August 2002)							
States/Members	PCT	Paris	WTO	States/Members	PCT	Paris	WTO
Finland (FI)	X	X	X	Kuwait (KW)	–	–	X
France (FR)	X	X	X	Kyrgyzstan (KG)	X	X	X
Gabon (GA)	X	X	X	Lao People's Democratic Republic (LA)	–	X	–
Gambia (GM)	X	X	X	Latvia (LV)	X	X	X
Georgia (GE)	X	X	X	Lebanon (LB)	–	X	–
Germany (DE)	X	X	X	Lesotho (LS)	X	X	X
Ghana (GH)	X	X	X	Liberia (LR)	X	X	–
Greece (GR)	X	X	X	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (LY)	–	X	–
Grenada (GD)	X	X	X	Liechtenstein (LI)	X	X	X
Guatemala (GT)	–	X	X	Lithuania (LT)	X	X	X
Guinea (GN)	X	X	X	Luxembourg (LU)	X	X	X
Guinea-Bissau (GW)	X	X	X	Macau, China (MO)	–	– ²	X
Guyana (GY)	–	X	X	Madagascar (MG)	X	X	X
Haiti (HT)	–	X	X	Malawi (MW)	X	X	X
Holy See (VA)	–	X	–	Malaysia (MY)	–	X	X
Honduras (HN)	–	X	X	Maldives (MV)	–	–	X
Hong Kong, China (HK)	– ¹	– ¹	X	Mali (ML)	X	X	X
Hungary (HU)	X	X	X	Malta (MT)	–	X	X
Iceland (IS)	X	X	X	Mauritania (MR)	X	X	X
India (IN)	X	X	X	Mauritius (MU)	–	X	X
Indonesia (ID)	X	X	X	Mexico (MX)	X	X	X
Iran (Islamic Republic of) (IR)	–	X	–	Monaco (MC)	X	X	–
Iraq (IQ)	–	X	–	Mongolia (MN)	X	X	X
Ireland (IE)	X	X	X	Morocco (MA)	X	X	X
Israel (IL)	X	X	X	Mozambique (MZ)	X	X	X
Italy (IT)	X	X	X	Myanmar (MM)	–	–	X
Jamaica (JM)	–	X	X	Namibia (NA)	–	–	X
Japan (JP)	X	X	X	Nepal (NP)	–	X	–
Jordan (JO)	–	X	X	Netherlands (NL)	X	X	X
Kazakhstan (KZ)	X	X	–	New Zealand (NZ)	X	X	X
Kenya (KE)	X	X	X	Nicaragua (NI)	–	X	X

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AND MEMBERS OF THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION [continued]
(situation on 1 August 2002)**

States/Members	PCT	Paris	WTO	States/Members	PCT	Paris	WTO
Niger (NE)	X	X	X	Sri Lanka (LK)	X	X	X
Nigeria (NG)	–	X	X	Sudan (SD)	X	X	–
Norway (NO)	X	X	X	Suriname (SR)	–	X	X
Oman (OM)	X	X	X	Swaziland (SZ)	X	X	X
Pakistan (PK)	–	–	X	Sweden (SE)	X	X	X
Panama (PA)	–	X	X	Switzerland (CH)	X	X	X
Papua New Guinea (PG)	–	X	X	Syrian Arab Republic (SY)	–	X	–
Paraguay (PY)	–	X	X	Taiwan, Province of China ⁴	–	–	X
Peru (PE)	–	X	X	Tajikistan (TJ)	X	X	–
Philippines (PH)	X	X	X	Thailand (TH)	–	–	X
Poland (PL)	X	X	X	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (MK)	X	X	–
Portugal (PT)	X	X	X	Togo (TG)	X	X	X
Qatar (QA)	–	X	X	Tonga (TO)	–	X	–
Republic of Korea (KR)	X	X	X	Trinidad and Tobago (TT)	X	X	X
Republic of Moldova (MD)	X	X	X	Tunisia (TN)	X	X	X
Romania (RO)	X	X	X	Turkey (TR)	X	X	X
Russian Federation (RU)	X	X	–	Turkmenistan (TM)	X	X	–
Rwanda (RW)	–	X	X	Uganda (UG)	X	X	X
Saint Kitts and Nevis (KN)	–	X	X	Ukraine (UA)	X	X	–
Saint Lucia (LC)	X	X	X	United Arab Emirates (AE)	X	X	X
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (VC)	X ³	X	X	United Kingdom (GB)	X	X	X
San Marino (SM)	–	X	–	United Republic of Tanzania (TZ)	X	X	X
Sao Tome and Principe (ST)	–	X	–	United States of America (US)	X	X	X
Senegal (SN)	X	X	X	Uruguay (UY)	–	X	X
Sierra Leone (SL)	X	X	X	Uzbekistan (UZ)	X	X	–
Singapore (SG)	X	X	X	Venezuela (VE)	–	X	X
Slovakia (SK)	X	X	X	Viet Nam (VN)	X	X	–
Slovenia (SI)	X	X	X	Yugoslavia (YU)	X	X	–
Solomon Islands (SB)	–	–	X	Zambia (ZM)	X	X	X
South Africa (ZA)	X	X	X	Zimbabwe (ZW)	X	X	X
Spain (ES)	X	X	X				

1. China has notified the Director General of WIPO that the PCT and the Paris Convention apply also to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.
2. China has notified the Director General of WIPO that the Paris Convention applies also to the Macau Special Administrative Region.
3. As from 6 August 2002.
4. Also referred to as “Chinese Taipei” or, within the context of the WTO, as “Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu.

Receiving Offices which have notified the International Bureau under Section 801(b) of the <i>Administrative Instructions</i> that they are prepared to accept international applications containing the sequence listing part on an electronic medium ¹ (situation on 1 August 2002)						
Receiving Offices	Electronic media accepted by Office					
	CD-R	CD-ROM	DVD-R	DVD-ROM	diskette	other
RO/AT	X	X			X	
RO/AU	X ²	X ²				
RO/CZ	X	X		X		CD-RW
RO/GB						any electronic medium referred to in Annex C of the <i>Administrative Instructions</i>
RO/IB	X		X			
RO/IL		X				
RO/IN		X		X		
RO/SK		X		X		

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- Under Section 801(c) of the *Administrative Instructions under the PCT*, a receiving Office which has not made a notification under Section 801(b) may nevertheless decide, in a particular case, to accept an international application, the sequence listing part of which is filed with it under Section 801(a) in computer readable form. Should you wish to file such an application and the receiving Office with which you wish to file is not listed in the table, you should contact that Office to find out whether it will accept such a filing, and if so, which type of electronic media it accepts.
 - In accordance with International Standard ISO 9660.