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New PCT Contracting State

Angola (country code: AO)

On 27 September 2007, Angola deposited its instrument of accession to the PCT, and on 27 December 2007, will become bound by the PCT. Consequently, any international application filed on or after 27 December 2007 will automatically include the designation of Angola.

Also, because Angola will be bound by Chapter II of the PCT, it will automatically be elected in any demand filed in respect of an international application filed on or after 27 December 2007. Furthermore, nationals and residents of Angola will be entitled, as from 27 December 2007, to file international applications under the PCT.

Paris Convention

Accession by Angola

On 27 September 2007, Angola, deposited its instrument of accession to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, thus bringing the total number of States party to that Convention to 172. Angola will become bound by the Paris Convention on 27 December 2007. This updates the list of States party to the Paris Convention that was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2007 (together with the list of States party to the PCT and Members of the WTO).

Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO

The Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO, including the thirty-sixth session of the Assembly of the PCT Union, were held in Geneva from 24 September to 3 October 2007.

Assembly of the PCT Union

Supplementary international search

The Assembly approved the introduction of a new system of supplementary inter-

national searches, which will give applicants the option to request, in addition to the "main" international search, one or more supplementary searches to be carried out by International Authorities, other than the International Searching Authority (ISA) that carries out the main international search. The system is intended to allow a more complete overview of the prior art to be achieved in the international phase, in particular including documents in languages which may not be searched effectively by the Authority conducting the main search. ISAs are free to decide whether to provide a supplementary search service and, if so, under what conditions.

The amendments to the PCT Regulations establishing the new supplementary international search system will enter into force on 1 January 2009, and will apply not only to international applications filed after the date of entry into force but also to pending applications for which it would still be practicable, having regard to the time limits involved, for a supplementary search request to be requested and carried out. In any event, supplementary international searches

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will not be available in practice until such time as at least one ISA is prepared to offer that service. The Rules and associated details of entry into force and understandings are as set out in documents PCT/A/36/1, 7 and 7 Add. Further information on this new system will be included in a future edition of the *PCT Newsletter*.

Appointment and reappointment of International Authorities; quality management systems

The PCT Assembly appointed the Brazilian National Institute of Industrial Property and the Indian Patent Office as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities. The appointments will take effect from the entry into force of the necessary agreement between the Offices and the International Bureau. The Offices will become the 14th and 15th International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities. The Assembly also reappointed all of the existing 13 Authorities for a further period of 10 years. In this context, the Assembly also noted status reports on the quality management systems of the International Authorities (PCT/A/36/3), which are now available on the PCT Resources page of the Patent-Scope website at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/quality/authorities.html

PCT publication languages

Two more languages, Korean and Portuguese, are to be included as "languages of publication" under PCT Rule 48.3. In view of the appointment of the Brazilian

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Reminder

The national Offices of the following States do not yet apply the 30-month time limit for entering the national phase under Chapter I as fixed in PCT Article 22(1) (as modified with effect from 1 April 2002). Note, however, that in respect of the **regional** designation of all those States, the time limit under PCT Article 22(3) of 31 months applies.

- CH Switzerland
- LU Luxembourg
- TZ United Republic of Tanzania
- UG Uganda

A list of time limits applicable for each designated/elected Office for entering the national phase under Chapters I and II of the PCT is available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/time_limits.pdf

National Institute of Industrial Property as an International Authority, this will permit the processing of international applications filed in these languages to be completed without requiring translations during the international phase. The amendments will apply to international applications whose international filing date is on or after January 1, 2009.

Other matters

The PCT Assembly also adopted other amendments to the PCT Regulations which will enter into force on 1 July 2008, and apply to international applications the international filing dates of which are on or after that date, subject to transitional arrangements in relation to certain provisions. These amendments are as set out in document PCT/A/36/2 and relate to:

- use of results of earlier searches (the applicant may request the ISA to take into account, in carrying out the international search, not only, as at present, the results of an earlier search carried out by that Authority but also the results of an earlier search carried out by another ISA or any national Office) (see new PCT Rules 4.12 and 12*bis*);
- restoration of right of priority by the receiving office (permitting the receiving Office to extend the time limit for paying a fee for requesting restoration) (see amended PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(d)); and
- international applications considered withdrawn (clarification that international publication can only be reliably prevented by way of an express withdrawal received by the International Bureau prior to completion of technical preparations for international publication) (see amended PCT Rule 29.1(v)).

The PCT Assembly further requested the International Bureau to carry out a study on the eligibility criteria for determining the group of developing and least developed countries whose applicants should benefit from a reduction in the amount of PCT fees but did not agree on proposals for an across-the-board PCT fee reduction at this stage.

The PCT Assembly also decided that, with the adoption of the above amendments, the work of both the Committee on Reform of the PCT and the Working Group on Reform of the PCT had been completed and that the mandate of both bodies had come to an end. It approved a proposal to convene, should the need arise to consider a matter which required submission to the PCT Assembly, a new Working Group to do preparatory work rather than submitting the matter directly to the Assembly.

Digital Access Service for priority documents

A joint session of the Paris Union Assembly, PCT Assembly, and Patent Law Treaty (PLT) Assembly noted that the system architecture, general principles

and framework provisions of a Digital Access Service for priority documents had been agreed and that work was under way to implement it. This service will allow applicants to meet priority document requirements by requesting an Office of second filing to access the document from a digital library instead of having to provide a physical certified copy from the Office of first filing.

Patent Law Treaty

In addition to deciding the applicability to the PLT of two modifications of the PCT Administrative Instructions made in the past year (PLT/A/3/1), the PLT Assembly adopted model international forms, which can be used for the relevant purposes before the Office of any party to the Treaty (PLT/A/3/2). These cover:

- Request for Recordation of Change in Applicant or Owner;
- Certificate of Transfer;
- Request for Recordation/Cancellation of Recordation of a License; and
- Request for Recordation/Cancellation of Recordation of a Security Interest.

Further information

All the meeting documents (including the reports of the various meetings, when they become available) can be downloaded from the WIPO website at

www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_code=pct/a/36

www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_code=a/43

www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_code=plt/a/3

Information concerning the amendments of the Regulations under the PCT will be made available on the PCT Resources page of the PatentScope website at:

www.wipo.int/pct

Publication Schedule and Non-Working Days at the IB during the Holiday Period

Non-working days at the IB

The non-working days at the International Bureau (IB) during the end-of-year holiday period, in addition to the weekends, will be 20, 25 and 26 December 2007, and 1 and 2 January 2008. The IB will be open for business on 21, 24, 27, 28 and 31 December 2007, and will then be open as usual as from 3 January 2008.

Closing dates of the PCT Information Service

The PCT Information Service will be closed from Monday, 24 December 2007 to Wednesday, 2 Janu-

ary 2008. It will reopen on Thursday, 3 January 2008, at 9.00 a.m., Geneva (local) time.

Please note, however, that if you call the PCT Information Service (telephone no.: (+41-22) 338 83 38) during the holiday period, there will be a facility for leaving messages and a telephone number will be given for use in cases requiring urgent attention. It is recalled that the PCT Information Service answers general inquiries about the filing of international applications and the procedure to be followed during the international phase of the PCT.

Note that calls relating to specific international applications should be directed to the relevant processing team, the number for which is given on the IB forms. Correspondence relating to specific applications should be addressed to the PCT Operations Division, fax no.: (+41-22) 338 82 70 or to the specific fax number indicated on the IB forms.

Publication schedule and technical preparations for publication

During the forthcoming holiday period, PCT applications will be published on the usual publication day, Thursday, except for those which would normally have been published on Thursday, 20 December 2007, which is a non-working day at WIPO – those applications will be published a day later, on Friday, 21 December 2007.

However, as from the publication date of 29 November 2007, the completion of technical preparations for publication will take place earlier than the usual 15 days before publication; the schedule for the completion of technical preparations will return to normal for international applications that will be published on 24 January 2008. For further details, see the following table, which gives the schedule for the publications that will be affected, and the respective dates by which any changes should be received by the IB.

Any applicant who, in respect of an international application to be published during the above-mentioned period, wishes to make any change which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication, should be aware of the above-mentioned dates. For example, if the applicant wishes to withdraw the international application, a designation or a priority claim under PCT Rules 90*bis*.1(c), 90*bis*.2(e) or 90*bis*.3(e), in sufficient time to prevent international publication thereof, or if the applicant wishes to submit amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 and the time limit under PCT Rule 46.1 will expire soon, or wishes to change an indication concerning the applicant, agent, common representative or inventor under PCT Rule 92*bis* – any such notice must reach the IB by the date indicated in the right hand column of the table if the changes are to be reflected in the international publication.

International publication: dates affected by forthcoming holiday period	
<i>Date of international publication</i>	<i>Last day on which applicants' communications must reach WIPO</i>
Thursday, 29 November 2007	Monday, 12 November 2007
Thursday, 6 December 2007	Friday, 16 November 2007
Thursday, 13 December 2007	Thursday, 22 November 2007
Friday, 21 December 2007	Wednesday, 28 November 2007
Thursday, 27 December 2007	Tuesday, 4 December 2007
Thursday, 3 January 2008	Monday, 10 December 2007
Thursday, 10 January 2008	Friday, 14 December 2007
Thursday, 17 January 2008	Monday, 31 December 2007

It is, as always, strongly recommended that applicants notify the IB of any change as early as possible before completion of technical preparations for publication, preferably by fax, bearing in mind that more time will be needed if the IB has to take any action in connection with the matter in the last few days before the completion of technical preparations for publication.

PCT Information Update

(1) Acceptance of requests for restoration of the right of priority

For background information on the above-mentioned subject, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2007, pages 1 and 8. It is recalled that a table summarizing information received by the International Bureau regarding restoration of the right of priority by receiving Offices and designated Offices under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3 and 49*ter*.2 is available in English and French at, respectively:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/restoration.html

www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/restoration.html

CN (China)

In addition to the Offices listed in the online table mentioned above, the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China, in its capacity as receiving Office, has informed the International

Bureau under PCT Rule 26bis.3(i) that it applies both the “unintentional” and “due care” criteria to requests for restoration of the right of priority.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (CN))

2) Other changes

BE Belgium (fees)

The Intellectual Property Office (Belgium) has notified a change in its denomination of the fee for the priority document. The term “in fee stamps” has been changed to “in fiscal duties”.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (BE))

BR Brazil (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail and Internet addresses; means of telecommunication; fees; requirements concerning agent)

The location and mailing address, telephone and fax numbers and e-mail and Internet addresses of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address:

DIRPA/gabinete (Patent Directorate):
Rua Mayrink Veiga No. 9 – 15° andar
20090-910 Rio de Janeiro, RJ
Brazil

DIRPA/SEPPCT:
Praça Maua, No. 7, 8° andar
20083-900 Rio de Janeiro, RJ
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Internet: www.inpi.gov.br

Furthermore, the Office has discontinued the use of its teleprinter. The only means of telecommunication by which it will accept the filing of documents is by fax.

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

Transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

Fee for priority document: BRR 95

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have changed:

For patent:

Filing fee:	BRR	140
First annual fee:		
– if patent already issued:	BRR	505
– or, if patent not already issued:	BRR	195

For utility model:

Filing fee:	BRR	140
First annual fee:		
– if utility model already issued:	BRR	260
–or, if utility model not already issued:	BRR	130

With relation to the information concerning how to obtain a list of those persons who can act as agent before the Office as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, there has been a change in the address and fax number of the Associação Brasileira dos Agentes de Propriedade Industrial – ABAPI (Brazilian Association of Industrial Property Agents), as follows:

Av. Rio Branco 100 – 7° Andar
20040-007 Rio de Janeiro, RJ,
Brazil

Fax: (55-21) 22 24 59 42

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 (BR) and C (BR) and National Chapter, Summary (BR))

DO Dominican Republic (general information)

General information about the Dominican Republic as a Contracting State, as well as information on the requirements of the National Office of Industrial Property as receiving Office has been published in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (see Annex B1 (DO) and Annex C (DO)) on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at:

www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/

EG Egypt (telephone and fax numbers)

The telephone and fax numbers of the Egyptian Patent Office have changed. The numbers to be used are as follows:

Telephone: (202) 27 92 12 72
Fax: (202) 27 92 12 73

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (EG))

FI Finland (acceptance of international applications with requests in PCT-EASY format)

The National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 January 2008, any PCT-EASY applications (that is, appli-

cations filed on paper and accompanied by the request form data and abstract on a physical medium) filed with the Office will no longer be accepted. Furthermore, from 1 January 2008, no international application filed with the Office as receiving Office will benefit from the fee reduction applicable to PCT-EASY applications.

As a result, in its latest update, the PCT-SAFE software has been modified when the Finnish Patent Office is selected as receiving Office. It is recalled that the Office accepts the filing of international applications in fully electronic form using the epoline® Online Filing Software and the PCT-SAFE software.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (FI))

JP Japan (evidence of mailing a document)

There has been a change in the requirements as to whether the Japan Patent Office would accept evidence of mailing of a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used; as from 1 October 2007 it accepts such evidence provided that the delivery service satisfies prescribed criteria and is approved by the Japanese Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications, under the Japanese Law Concerning Correspondence Delivery Provided by Private-Sector Operators. A list of approved delivery services (in Japanese) is available at the following website: www.soumu.go.jp/yusei/pdf/tokutei_g.pdf

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (JP))

US United States of America (fees)

It is recalled that the fee for the priority document (pursuant to PCT Rule 17.1(b)) is no longer payable in respect of international applications filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office on or after 31 August 2007 (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2007, page 3).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US))

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

As from 9 November 2007, there will be a change in the amount payable in USD for an international search carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as indicated in Table I(b). Note that, as from that date, the lower amount which is currently payable in certain circumstances (see footnote 21 of the Fee Tables for further details), will no longer be applicable. The new equivalent amounts of the search fee in CHF, EUR, NZD and ZAR, which have not yet been established, will be published in the next issue of the *PCT Newsletter*.

As from 9 November 2007, there will also be a change in the amount of the additional search fee, as indicated below:

Additional search fee: USD 1,800
(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (US))

PCT-SAFE Update

Release of PCT-SAFE Client Patch

An update patch, dated 1 October 2007, for the PCT-SAFE Client software may now be downloaded from the PCT-SAFE website at:

www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/download_client.htm

Note that this patch will only update the 1 July 2007 full installation of the PCT-SAFE Client software (version 3.51.022.197) and must not be used to update any other version of the Client software.

The patch includes the following changes:

- updated fee schedules where relevant, including new international filing fee amounts in EUR (effective 1 October 2007) and USD (effective 15 November 2007);
- compliance with Annex F file naming convention with respect to powers of attorney;
- other minor functionality enhancements;
- other PCT updates.

Further details are available on the PCT-SAFE website at:

www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/

Note About Epoline® Online Filing Software

The European Patent Office (EPO) has notified WIPO that, in view of the availability of the upgraded version of the epoline® Online Filing software (version 3.20) free of charge from the epoline® website (www.epoline.org), it will, as from 1 November 2007, cease to accept international patent applications (as well as European patent applications) produced with version 2.10, or any earlier version of the software. For further details, see:

www.epo.org/patents/law/legal-texts/InformationEPO/archiveinfo/20070130.html

Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations under the PCT (April 2007 edition)

The International Bureau has published new editions of the Chinese and German texts of the *Patent Coop-*

eration Treaty (PCT) and Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 April 2007.

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The PCT Treaty and the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 April 2007, are now available in Chinese, in PDF format, at, respectively:

www.wipo.int/pct/zh/texts/pdf/pct_regs.pdf
 www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/zh/texts/pdf/pct.pdf

For information about the paper version, see above.

PCT in the News

The latest edition of the *WIPO Magazine* features an article entitled “Harry Potter and the IP Bonanza”, which traces the path from rights to riches both for author J.K. Rowling, and for a vast network of licensees and rights holders. Related to this is an article which describes a cloaking device which has been the subject of a PCT application. Extracts from the *WIPO Magazine* are available at:

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is now available on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/

PatentScope Search Service

(www.wipo.int/pctdb)

New PCT regional phase information for EPO

The PatentScope Search Service now includes PCT regional phase information for the European Patent Office (under the “national phase” tab of the international application concerned). This brings to 30 the number of Offices for which national phase information is now available – see the complete list of offices and dates covered at:

www.wipo.int/pctdb/en/nationalphase.jsp

It is recalled that users can search for national/regional phase entries in any of these Offices by using the PatentScope Search Service. PCT national phase entries are searchable using four search indexes (national phase country code, national phase entry date, national phase application number and national phase entry type). For further information see *PCT Newsletter* No. 03/2007, page 5.

Applicants’ informal comments on the written opinion

Applicants’ informal comments on the Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority are now available on the PatentScope Search Service (under the “documents” tab of the international application concerned) for any international application filed on or after January 2004. Note that these documents are only available after 30 months from the first priority date.

Changes regarding the publication of sequence listings

Changes have recently been made in order to make the publication of sequence listings (SLs) on PatentScope (at: www.wipo.int/pctdb/en/sequences/) more complete and easier to use. For further information, see:

www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/news/pctdb/2007/news_0010.html

Practical Advice

The consequences of receiving a declaration of non-establishment of an international search report

Q: I have received Form PCT/ISA/203 declaring that no international search report will be established on

my international application because it relates to a subject matter on which my chosen International Searching Authority (ISA) will not carry out searches. What is the consequence of this for the international application? Also, as my receiving Office has specified several authorities as competent ISAs, is it possible to request that another search now be carried out by another ISA that will carry out searches on that particular subject matter?

A: A declaration of non-establishment of an international search report (ISR) (Form PCT/ISA/203) can be made if the ISA considers that a meaningful search could not be carried out because the international application relates to a subject matter which, under the PCT Regulations, the ISA is not required to search and, in the particular case, decides not to search (see PCT Article 17(2)(a)). ISAs often search only subject matter encompassed by the national/regional patent granting procedure under the provisions of their applicable national/regional law. A list of the subject matters which the ISA can decide not to search is provided in PCT Rule 39.1; information relating to the subject matters which will not be searched by a particular ISA can be found on the relevant page of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D; however, for full details, it is preferable to contact the ISA concerned direct. It is recommended that before filing the international application applicants inform themselves about which subject matters the ISA they intend to choose will not search.

Note that a declaration of non-establishment of an ISR can also be made if the ISA considers:

- that the description, the claims, or the drawings do not comply with the prescribed requirements; or
- that a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing and/or tables related thereto are not furnished in accordance with the prescribed standard and technical requirements or in an electronic form

to such an extent that a meaningful search could not be carried out.

Where no ISR has been established, this does not in itself have any influence on the validity of the international application, the processing of which will continue, including its publication and communication to the designated (or elected) Offices. Note, however, that if no ISR has been established, it will not be possible to file amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19, and, although you may in principle file a demand and amendments to the international application under PCT Article 34, the International Preliminary Examining Authority is not obliged to examine the claims concerned (see PCT Rule 66.1(e)). Upon entry into the national phase, however, you will be given the opportunity to amend the application before

the Office concerned under PCT Article 28(1) or 41(1). Note, however, that any amendments must not go beyond what was originally disclosed in the international application.

Where a declaration of non-establishment of an ISR under PCT Article 17(2)(a) is made, there would normally still be, as a formal matter, a written opinion (Form PCT/ISA/237) in accordance with PCT Rule 43bis.1(a), but it would not normally contain any opinion of substance, but rather a corresponding observation would be made by the ISA in Box No. III of the form that no meaningful opinion could be established since no ISR had been established. The International Bureau would make a similar observation on the International Preliminary Report on Patentability (IPRP Chapter I of the PCT) (Form PCT/IB/373). If the International Bureau receives any informal comments from the applicant following the ISA's notification on Form PCT/ISA/237, it would simply communicate them to the designated Offices (for further information on informal comments, see the Practical Advice in *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2004, page 7).

As far as your ability to request a further international search by another ISA is concerned, under the current PCT Regulations, you are not permitted to do this. Notwithstanding, this will probably change in the near future, once the newly adopted regulations enter into force which provide for the supplementary international search system, and once at least one ISA has announced that it is prepared to carry out such supplementary international search reports (see cover page for further details). Even when this new system does become operational, however, where the first ISA has made the declaration referred to in Article 17(2)(a) and that declaration is available to the Authority specified for supplementary search before it starts the search, that Authority may decide not to establish a supplementary international search report, in which case it shall so declare and promptly notify the applicant and the International Bureau accordingly (see new PCT Rule 45bis.5 (e)). If you cannot obtain an ISR, it may be possible for you to request a private prior art search of the application.

Without an ISR, you will be in less of a position to make an informed evaluation about whether you are likely to obtain a patent in the national phase, noting however, that since this is a decision to be taken by the designated (or elected) Offices, and since the national/regional law applied by those Offices varies as to what subject matter is patentable, the fact that no ISR was established might have different consequences on the further patent granting procedure before the various Offices.

For further information on the refusal of the ISA to search certain subject matter, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, International Phase, paragraph 279.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
8–9 October 2007 Oslo (NO)	English	PCT seminar for consultants WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Bonvallet	Norwegian Patent Office (Vigdis Aaserud) Tel: (47–22) 38 73 14/38 73 00 Fax: (47–22) 38 73 31 E-mail: vaa@patentstyret.no
11–12 October 2007 Helsinki (FI)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Bonvallet	National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland (Mr. Illmarinen) Tel: (358–9) 69 39 52 36 Fax: (358–9) 69 39 53 22 E-mail: olli.ilmariinen@prh.fi
12 October 2007 London (GB)	English	PCT presentation at the 6 th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
17–18 October 2007 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mrs. Lindner	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
22 October 2007 Troy, Michigan (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mrs. Bidwell	Michigan State Bar Intellectual Property Section (Ms. Lora Freeman, loraf@mail.icle.org for questions on course content; for registration, see below) Tel: (1–877) 229 43 50 Fax: (1–877) 229 43 51 Internet: www.icle.org
23 October 2007 Grand Rapids, Michigan (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mrs. Bidwell	(See Troy, Michigan, above)
24–25 October 2007 Paris (FR)	French	PCT seminar: “La demande PCT” WIPO speakers: Mr. Genin and Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Ms. Marie Vlamynck and Ms. Dominique Antoine) Tel: (33–1) 53 04 53 04 Fax: (33–1) 53 04 52 652 E-mail: mvlamynck@inpi.fr and dantoine@inpi.fr
1–2 November 2007 San Francisco (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mrs. Bidwell	Intellectual Property International (Ms. Virginia H. Meyer) Tel: (1–415) 381 26 15 Fax: (1–415) 389 89 38 E-mail: info@ipiseminars.com Internet: www.ipiseminars.com
5–6 November 2007 Chicago (US)	English	Advanced training session on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mrs. Bidwell	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
7–8 November 2007 Rochester (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed	PatentEducation™ Tel: (1–585) 214 24 05 E-mail: answers@patenteducation.com Internet (for information and registration): www.patenteducation.com
12 November 2007 Hilton Head (US)	English	PCT presentation as part of the annual Corporate Patent Seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reed	The Procter & Gamble Company (Mr. Tim Guffey) Tel: (1–513) 534 07 96 Fax: (1–866) 771 93 93 Email: guffey.tb@pg.com Internet: www.corporatepatent.com

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
21–22 November 2007 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
22–24 November 2007 Beijing (CN)	English/ Chinese	Conference on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Gurry, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Zhao and Mr. Zhou Other speakers: to be announced	WIPO, State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO) and the Beijing People's Government For interested persons who are not residents of China, contact: Ms. Nathalie Magellan, WIPO Tel: (41–22) 338 98 33 Fax: (41–22) 910 00 30 E-mail: nathalie.magellan@wipo.int Contact person for residents of China: to be announced.
28–29 November 2007 Boston, Massachusetts (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bidwell	Boston Patent Law Association (Mr. Lee Carl Bromberg, President) Tel: (1–617) 443 92 92 Fax: (1–617) 443 00 04 (Attention: Lee Bromberg) E-mail: lbromberg@bromsun.com
4–5 December 2007 Paris (FR)	French	PCT seminar: “La demande PCT module avancé” WIPO speakers: Mr. Genin and Ms. Bonvallet	See “Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI)”, above
5 December 2007 London (GB)	English	PCT lecture “The Role of the Patent Cooperation Treaty in the International Patent System” WIPO speakers: Mr. Baron and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Queen Mary Intellectual Property Research Institute, University of London E-mail (for information and registration): qmipri@qmul.ac.uk Tel: (44–20) 78 82 80 89 Fax: (44–20) 78 82 81 01
6–7 December 2007 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT Formalities Seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Baron and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
7–9 January 2008 Zurich (CH)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the Postgraduate Program in Intellectual Property WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Kim	Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zurich (ETH), Master of Advanced Studies in Intellectual Property (Ms. Caroline Frischknecht) Tel: (41–44) 632 68 08 Fax: (41–44) 632 13 67 E-mail: frischknecht@recht.gess.ethz.ch Internet: www.masip.ethz.ch

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PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 October 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

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*, 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 international filing fee may be reduced by CHF 100 under certain circumstances where the request is prepared using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software or by CHF 200 or 300 where the international application is filed in electronic form, as prescribed; see Item 3(a), (b) and (c) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 202(A). A 75% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30) 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 footnotes 2 and 12. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 75% reduction are applicable, the 75% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 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	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRR	Brazilian real	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	TJS	Tajik somoni
		CAD	Canadian dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CHF	Swiss franc	ILS	New Israel shekel	MXP	Mexican peso	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	JPY	Japanese yen	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CYP	Cyprus pound	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	KP won	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	KR won	ROL	Romanian leu		
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	EEK	Estonian kroon	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUR	Russian rouble		
		GBP	Pound sterling	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDP	Sudanese pound		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 October 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2} (CHF 1,400)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
					Item 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶ (CHF 100)	Item 3(c) ⁷ (CHF 200)	Item 3(d) ⁸ (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available							
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,400	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	50	EUR 851	9	61	–	–	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD 1,347	14	96	192	289	AU
AZ	AZM	55,000	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 851	9	61	–	–	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR 851	9	61	–	–	EP
BG	BGL	80	BGL eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	Information not yet available							
BR	BRR	305	BRR eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT EP SE US
BW	USD ⁹	–	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD 1,273	14	91	–	–	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	EP
CN	CNY	500	CNY eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	CN
CO	COP ⁹	–	COP eq USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	eq USD 12 <i>(12)</i>	eq USD 78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD	250	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	EP ES

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]

(amounts on 1 October 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2}		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴	
							Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 3(c) ⁷	Item 3(d) ⁸		
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	AT EP ES RU	
CY	CYP	75	CYP	516	6	–	–	–	–	EP	
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	851	9	61	–	–	–	EP	
DE	EUR	90	EUR	851	9	61	122	–	182	EP	
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	6,340	70	450	910	–	1,360	EP SE	
DM	Information not yet available										
DO	USD	275	USD eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	EP ES
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,400	15	100	–	–	–	AT EP	
EA	RUR	1,600	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU	
EC	USD ⁹	–	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	EP ES	
EE	EEK	1,800	EEK eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	AT EP US	
EP	EUR	105	EUR	851	9	–	122	–	182	EP	
ES	EUR	67.89	EUR	851	9	61	122	–	182	EP ES	
FI	EUR	135	EUR	851	9	61	122	–	182	EP FI SE	
FR	EUR	60	EUR	851	9	61	122	–	182	EP	
GB	GBP	55	GBP	574	6	41	82	–	123	EP	
GD	Information not yet available										
GE	GEL ¹⁰	10	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU	
GH	GHC ¹¹	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	–	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE	
GR	EUR	115	EUR	851	9	61	–	–	–	EP	
GT	Information not yet available										
HN	Information not yet available										
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	EP
HU	HUF	10,700	HUF eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹² or EUR ¹² or USD ¹²	100 64 79	CHF or EUR or USD	1,400 851 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	15 9 12 <i>(12)</i>	100 61 78 <i>(83)</i>	200 122 155 <i>(166)</i>	300 182 233 <i>(249)</i>	–	–	See footnote 13
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR	76	EUR	851	9	61	–	–	–	EP	
IL	ILS	486	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	EP US	
IN	INR	8,000 <i>(filing by indiv: 2,000)</i>	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE US	
IS	ISK	6,500	ISK	70,500	800	5,000	–	–	–	EP SE	
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	851	9	–	–	–	–	EP	
JP	JPY	13,000	JPY	138,200	1,500	9,900	–	–	29,600	EP JP	
KE	USD (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	250	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE	
KG	KGS eq USD	100	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU	
KM	Information not yet available										
KN	Information not yet available										
KP	KPW eq CHF	50	KPW eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW	45,000	KRW	1,096,000	12,000	78,000	–	–	235,000	AT AU JP ¹⁴ KR	
KZ	KZT	7,360	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU	

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]

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				Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 3(c) ⁷	Item 3(d) ⁸	
LA	Information not yet available						
LR	USD 45	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM ⁹ –	LSM eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 851	9	61	–	–	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 851	9	–	–	–	EP
LV	LVL 47.20	EUR 851	9	61	–	–	EP RU
LY	LYD ⁹ –	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	None	CHF 1,400	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ¹⁵	EUR 851	9	–	–	–	EP
MD	USD 40	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	EP RU
MT	Information not yet available						
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 134,700	1,400	9,600	–	–	EP
MX	MXP ² eq USD 200	MXP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 375 ¹⁶	MYR eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 851	9	61	122	182	EP
NO	NOK 550	NOK 7,030	80	500	–	–	EP SE
NZ	NZD 180 ¹⁷	NZD 1,479	16	106	–	–	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ⁹ –	XAF eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	Information not yet available						
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	155 <i>(166)</i>	233 <i>(249)</i>	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLZ 300	PLZ eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
PT	EUR 33.44	EUR 851	9	61	–	–	EP
RO	ROL 300,000	CHF 1,400	15	100	200	300	AT EP RU
RS	RSD 3,000	RSD eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUR 600	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	EP RU
SC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDP 50	SDP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 7,950	90	570	1,140	1,700	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,720	18	123	–	–	AT AU EP KR ¹⁸
SI	EUR 91	EUR 851	9	61	–	–	EP
SK	SKK 2,000	SKK eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 851	9	–	–	–	EP
SV	Information not yet available						
SY	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	AT EP RU
TJ	TJS ⁹ –	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	EP RU

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]

(amounts on 1 October 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

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						Items 3(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 3(c) ⁷	Item 3(d) ⁸	
TN	TND ⁹	–	CHF	1,400	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	CHF	100	CHF	1,400	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH	255	USD (or eq UAH)	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	–	–	–	EP RU
US	USD	300	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	155 <i>(166)</i>	–	EP KR US
UZ	USD ⁹	–	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	EP RU
VC	Information not yet available								
VN	VND eq USD	150	VND eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR	500	ZAR	8,230	90	590	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	12 <i>(12)</i>	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,086 <i>(from 15.11.07: 1,163)</i>	eq USD 12 <i>(12)</i>	eq USD 78 <i>(83)</i>	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 October 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT	EUR	200	CHF	311	KRW	250,000	SGD	410	USD	272	ZAR	1,830
AU	AUD	1,600	CHF	1,663	EUR	962	KRW	1,266,000	NZD	1,794	SGD*	1,943
	USD	1,372	ZAR	9,560								
			SGD	2,090								
CA	CAD	1,600	CHF	1,759	EUR	1,112	USD	1,490				
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	335	EUR	215	USD	260				
EP ¹⁹	EUR	1,615	CHF	2,668	CYP	928	DKK	12,050	GBP	1,098	ISK	143,000
	JPY	255,300	MWK	248,000	NOK	12,990	NZD*	3,010	SEK	15,230	SGD	3,310
	USD	2,197	ZAR	14,920								
			NZD	2,810								
ES ¹⁹	EUR	1,615	CHF	2,668	USD	2,197						
FI	EUR	1,615	CHF	2,668	USD	2,197						
JP	JPY	97,000	CHF	1,042	EUR	616	KRW	739,000	USD	797		
KR	KRW	225,000	CHF	280	EUR	180	NZD	347	SGD	380	USD	232
RU ²⁰	USD	500	CHF	644	EUR	369						
SE	SEK	15,230	CHF	2,668	DKK	12,050	EUR	1,615	ISK	143,000	NOK	12,990
	USD	2,197										
US	USD*	1,000	300 ²¹	CHF	1,216	387 ²¹	EUR	762	222 ²¹	NZD**	1,360	440 ²¹
	ZAR	7,200	2,300 ²¹									
				USD	1,800		(equivalent amounts in other currencies to follow)					
				NZD	1,360	380 ²¹						

Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 October 2007, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²²		Handling fee ^{2, 22} (CHF 200)
AT	EUR	200	EUR 129
AU	AUD	550 780 ²³	AUD 205
CA	CAD	800	CAD 182
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF 200
EP ¹⁹	EUR	1,595	EUR 129
ES	EUR	533.76	EUR 129
FI	EUR	550	EUR 129
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY 17,400
KR	KRW	225,000	KRW 147,000
RU ²⁰	USD	200 ²⁴ 300 ²⁵	USD 155
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK 1,210
US	USD	600 750 ²⁶	USD 155

Footnotes to fee tables:

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf
- 3 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 Administrative Instructions under the PCT, 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*).
- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the international application is filed on paper together with a copy in electronic form, in character coded format, of the request and the abstract.
- 6 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 8 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 9 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.
- 10 This fee is reduced by 80% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 11 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.
- 12 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf
- 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*, Annex C (IB).
- 14 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 15 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 16 Plus MYR 45 for each sheet in excess of 30.
- 17 Plus 12.5% GST (Goods and Services Tax) for New Zealand residents.
- 18 The Korean Intellectual Property Office is competent for international applications, the declared priority date of which or, if there is no declared priority date, the date of filing of which is on or after 2 June 2006.
- 19 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 Item 4(a) of 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 part 1 of the table on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf, with the exception of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Turkey.
- 20 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.
- 21 Payable when a corresponding prior US national application has been filed under 35 USC 111(a), ((i) prior to 8 December 2004, the basic filing fee under 37 CFR 1.16(a) has been paid, or (ii) on or after 8 December 2004, the basic filing fee under 37 CFR 1.16(a), the search fee under 37 CFR 1.16(k) and the examination fee under 37 CFR 1.16(o) have been paid) and the prior US national application is identified by the application number if known, or if the application number is not known, by the filing date, title and name of applicant (and preferably by the application docket number), in the international application or accompanying the papers at the time of filing the international application.
- 22 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 23 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 24 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 25 In all cases where footnote 24 does not apply.
- 26 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*, Annex C (US)).

