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SEARCHING UNDER THE PCT:

PREPARATION OF A MODEL SEARCH REPORT

Progress report prepared by the International Bureau

- 1. The PCT Interim Committee for Technical Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "the Interim Committee"), at its third session, held in Tokyo in October 1973, requested that its Standing Subcommittee undertake a study of the question of the preparation of a model search report (see paragraph 90, item (xi), of the Report of the third session, document PCT/TCO/III/13).
- 2. It is recalled that the PCT Interim Advisory Committee for Administrative Questions, at its fourth session, established a Working Group which will meet in September 1974 and which will be composed of experts whose task will be to deal specifically with the draft Forms under the PCT. Thus its work will include a detailed consideration of both the contents and layout of the international search report form.
- 3. Once this Working Group has concluded its work, the international search report form will be revised on the basis of any changes suggested by the Working Group. The revised international search report form will then be used by the International Bureau as the basis for the preparation of the model search report which will be submitted to the next session of the Standing Subcommittee of the Interim Committee.
 - 4. The Interim Committee is invited to comment on this progress report.

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