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Madam, Sir,

I have pleasure to refer to the invitation to your organization to be represented as an observer at the fifth session of the *Working Group on Reform of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)*, which will be held in Geneva, at the headquarters of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), from November 17 (10 a.m.) to 21, 2003 (see Note C. PCT 941, dated October 3, 2003).

The following topic has now also been included for discussion at the session:

- proposals by Switzerland regarding the declaration of the source of genetic resources and traditional knowledge in patent applications.

As mentioned in Note C. PCT 941, working documents will be communicated on request, and are also being made available on WIPO's website (see http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/meetings).

Sincerely yours,

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