

# PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

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To:

INFORMAL CLARIFICATION:  
NOTE/INVITATION  
(PCT Article 17(2) and PCT/GL/ISPE  
paragraphs 9.34 and 9.35)

Applicant's or agent's file reference	Date of mailing ( <i>day/month/year</i> )
International application No.	International filing date ( <i>day/month/year</i> )
Applicant	

It appears to this International Searching Authority that the description, claims or drawings **fail to comply with the PCT requirements** to such an extent that a meaningful search cannot be carried out in relation to the international application (Article 17(2)(a)(ii)).

1.  This International Searching Authority **has contacted** the applicant on \_\_\_\_\_ (*day/month/year*) (see below) to **informally discuss** the application and obtain the required clarification.

Communication type

- by telephone
- personal
- by e-mail
- by facsimile
- by regular mail

Participants

- Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Agent: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Examiner(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- identity checked       authorization checked       personally known

A **summary** of the discussions is set out under item 3.

2.  This International Searching Authority hereby **invites** the applicant to **provide informal clarification** on the issue(s) indicated under item 3 within \_\_\_\_\_ (*days/months*) from the date of mailing of this Invitation.

**IMPORTANT:** Failure to react timely and/or furnish the clarification required by this International Searching Authority could result either in the International Search Report indicating certain claims as unsearchable or the issuance of a declaration, under Article 17(2)(a)(ii), that no International Search Report will be established.

3.  **Summary** of the discussions/detailed issue(s) requiring **informal clarification** (if necessary continued in the Annex to this Form).

Name and mailing address of the ISA/	Authorized officer
Facsimile No.	Telephone No.

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