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Albania AL	4 October 1995	Estonia EE	24 August 1994
Algeria DZ <sup>2</sup>	8 March 2000	Finland FI <sup>5</sup>	1 October 1980
Angola AO	27 December 2007	France FR <sup>2, 6</sup>	25 February 1978
Antigua and Barbuda AG	17 March 2000	Gabon GA	24 January 1978
Armenia AM <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991	Gambia GM	9 December 1997
Australia AU	31 March 1980	Georgia GE <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991
Austria AT	23 April 1979	Germany DE	24 January 1978
Azerbaijan AZ	25 December 1995	Ghana GH	26 February 1997
Bahrain BH <sup>2</sup>	18 March 2007	Greece GR	9 October 1990
Barbados BB	12 March 1985	Grenada GD	22 September 1998
Belarus BY <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991	Guatemala GT	14 October 2006
Belgium BE	14 December 1981	Guinea GN	27 May 1991
Belize BZ	17 June 2000	Guinea-Bissau GW	12 December 1997
Benin BJ	26 February 1987	Honduras HN	20 June 2006
Bosnia and Herzegovina BA	7 September 1996	Hungary HU <sup>2</sup>	27 June 1980
Botswana BW	30 October 2003	Iceland IS	23 March 1995
Brazil BR	9 April 1978	India IN <sup>2</sup>	7 December 1998
Brunei Darussalam BN	24 July 2012	Indonesia ID <sup>2</sup>	5 September 1997
Bulgaria BG	21 May 1984	Iran (Islamic Republic of) IR	4 October 2013
Burkina Faso BF	21 March 1989	Ireland IE	1 August 1992
Cambodia KH	8 December 2016	Israel IL	1 June 1996
Cameroon CM	24 January 1978	Italy IT	28 March 1985
Canada CA	2 January 1990	Japan JP	1 October 1978
Central African Republic CF	24 January 1978	Jordan JO	9 June 2017
Chad TD	24 January 1978	Kazakhstan KZ <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991
Chile CL <sup>2</sup>	2 June 2009	Kenya KE	8 June 1994
China CN <sup>3, 4</sup>	1 January 1994	Kuwait KW	9 September 2016
Colombia CO	28 February 2001	Kyrgyzstan KG <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991
Comoros KM	3 April 2005	Lao People's Democratic Republic LA <sup>2</sup>	14 June 2006
Congo CG	24 January 1978	Latvia LV	7 September 1993
Costa Rica CR	3 August 1999	Lesotho LS	21 October 1995
Côte d'Ivoire CI	30 April 1991	Liberia LR	27 August 1994
Croatia HR	1 July 1998	Libya LY	15 September 2005
Cuba CU <sup>2</sup>	16 July 1996	Liechtenstein LI	19 March 1980
Cyprus CY	1 April 1998	Lithuania LT	5 July 1994
Czechia CZ	1 January 1993	Luxembourg LU	30 April 1978
Democratic People's Republic of Korea KP	8 July 1980	Madagascar MG	24 January 1978
Denmark DK	1 December 1978	Malawi MW	24 January 1978
Djibouti DJ	23 September 2016	Malaysia MY <sup>2</sup>	16 August 2006
Dominica DM	7 August 1999	Mali ML	19 October 1984
Dominican Republic DO	28 May 2007	Malta MT <sup>2</sup>	1 March 2007
Ecuador EC	7 May 2001	Mauritania MR	13 April 1983
Egypt EG	6 September 2003	Mexico MX	1 January 1995
El Salvador SV	17 August 2006	Monaco MC	22 June 1979
Equatorial Guinea GQ	17 July 2001	Mongolia MN	27 May 1991

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Montenegro ME	3 June 2006	Sierra Leone SL	17 June 1997
Morocco MA	8 October 1999	Singapore SG	23 February 1995
Mozambique MZ <sup>2</sup>	18 May 2000	Slovakia SK	1 January 1993
Namibia NA	1 January 2004	Slovenia SI	1 March 1994
Netherlands NL <sup>7</sup>	10 July 1979	South Africa ZA <sup>2</sup>	16 March 1999
New Zealand NZ	1 December 1992	Spain ES	16 November 1989
Nicaragua NI	6 March 2003	Sri Lanka LK	26 February 1982
Niger NE	21 March 1993	Sudan SD	16 April 1984
Nigeria NG	8 May 2005	Swaziland SZ	20 September 1994
Norway NO <sup>5</sup>	1 January 1980	Sweden SE <sup>5</sup>	17 May 1978
Oman OM <sup>2</sup>	26 October 2001	Switzerland CH	24 January 1978
Panama PA	7 September 2012	Syrian Arab Republic SY	26 June 2003
Papua New Guinea PG	14 June 2003	Tajikistan TJ <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991
Peru PE	6 June 2009	Thailand TH <sup>2</sup>	24 December 2009
Philippines PH	17 August 2001	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia MK	10 August 1995
Poland PL <sup>5</sup>	25 December 1990	Togo TG	24 January 1978
Portugal PT	24 November 1992	Trinidad and Tobago TT	10 March 1994
Qatar QA <sup>2</sup>	3 August 2011	Tunisia TN <sup>2</sup>	10 December 2001
Republic of Korea KR	10 August 1984	Turkey TR	1 January 1996
Republic of Moldova MD <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991	Turkmenistan TM <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991
Romania RO <sup>2</sup>	23 July 1979	Uganda UG	9 February 1995
Russian Federation RU <sup>2</sup>	29 March 1978 <sup>8</sup>	Ukraine UA <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991
Rwanda RW	31 August 2011	United Arab Emirates AE	10 March 1999
Saint Kitts and Nevis KN	27 October 2005	United Kingdom GB <sup>10</sup>	24 January 1978
Saint Lucia LC <sup>2</sup>	30 August 1996	United Republic of Tanzania TZ	14 September 1999
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines VC <sup>2</sup>	6 August 2002	United States of America US <sup>11, 12</sup>	24 January 1978
San Marino SM	14 December 2004	Uzbekistan UZ <sup>2</sup>	25 December 1991
Sao Tome and Principe ST	3 July 2008	Viet Nam VN	10 March 1993
Saudi Arabia SA	3 August 2013	Zambia ZM	15 November 2001
Senegal SN	24 January 1978	Zimbabwe ZW	11 June 1997
Serbia RS <sup>9</sup>	1 February 1997		
Seychelles SC	7 November 2002		

(Total: 152 States)

<sup>1</sup> All PCT Contracting States are bound by Chapter II of the PCT relating to the international preliminary examination.<sup>2</sup> With the declaration provided for in PCT Article 64(5).<sup>3</sup> Applies also to Hong Kong, China with effect from 1 July 1997.<sup>4</sup> Not applicable to Macau, China.<sup>5</sup> With the declaration provided for in PCT Article 64(2)(a)(ii).<sup>6</sup> Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.<sup>7</sup> Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba. The Netherlands Antilles ceased to exist on 10 October 2010. As from that date, the PCT continues to apply to Curaçao and Sint Maarten. The PCT also continues to apply to the islands of Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba which, with effect from 10 October 2010, have become part of the territory of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Europe.<sup>8</sup> Date of ratification of the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from 25 December 1991.<sup>9</sup> Serbia is the continuing State from Serbia and Montenegro as from 3 June 2006.<sup>10</sup> The United Kingdom extended the application of the PCT to the Isle of Man with effect from 29 October 1983.<sup>11</sup> With the declarations provided for in PCT Articles 64(3)(a) and 64(4)(a).<sup>12</sup> Extends to all areas for which the United States of America has international responsibility.