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The Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) presents his compliments to Members and Observers of the PCT Working Group and with reference to its Nineteenth session, has the honor to notify a request for the inclusion of a supplementary item on the draft agenda, received on December 29, 2025 in a communication to the Secretariat, as reflected in the Annex. The supplementary agenda item, entitled “WIPO Treaty on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources and Associated Traditional Knowledge” is included in the Revised Draft Agenda (PCT/WG/19/1 Prov.2), accordingly. 

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The Permanent Mission of Brazil to the World Trade Organization (WTO) and other Economic Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), and has the honor to refer to the Nineteenth Session of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) Working Group, to be held in Geneva, from 2 to 6 February, 2026.

2. In accordance with Rule 5, paragraph 4, of the WIPO General Rules of Procedure, the Permanent Mission of Brazil respectfully requests the inclusion of an agenda item related to the WIPO Treaty on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources and Associated Traditional Knowledge. Under the requested agenda item, the Working Group would “consider the need for amendments to the Regulations under the PCT and/or the Administrative Instructions thereunder with a view towards providing an opportunity for applicants who file an international application under the PCT designating a PCT Contracting State which, under its applicable national law, requires the disclosure of genetic resources and traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources, to comply with any formality requirements related to such disclosure requirement either upon filing of the international application, with effect for all such Contracting States, or subsequently, upon entry into the national phase before an Office of any such Contracting State” (Agreed Statement from the GRATK Treaty).

The Permanent Mission of Brazil avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 26th December 2025

To the
International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
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