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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES AND
APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THOSE AUTHORITIES AND
THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

The enclosed Annex C replaces Annex A of the draft Agreement contained in Annex II to document PCT/A/I/3.

[Annex C follows]

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ANNEX C

Schedule of Fees and Extent and Conditions of
Refunds of the Search Fee for the Purposes of
Article 7 of the Agreement

(a) Fees

Search Fee	\$300.00
Supplemental Search Fee (per additional invention)	200.00
Preparation of an International-Type Search Report in a U.S. National Application	25.00

(b) Extent and Conditions of Refunds of the Search Fee

Refunds of a portion of the search fee may be made if the international search report is wholly or partly based on an earlier international or international-type search (Rules 16 and 41). The amount of the refund will be as determined by the examiner according to the value of the prior international-type search or international search as 90%, 45% or 0% of the international search fee.

The criteria for refunds of the indicated percentage are as follows:

- A. The prior search was substantially complete: only an updating search or short search for an additional detail was required 90%
- B. The prior search was of some significant benefit but not enough to justify a 90% refund 45%
- C. The prior search was of very little or no value 0%

Refund of the supplemental search fees will be made if such refund is determined to be warranted by the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks or his designee acting under Rule 40.2(c).

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