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NEWSLETTER

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NEW PCT CONTRACTING STATE

Dominica (country code: DM)

On 7 May 1999, Dominica deposited its instrument of accession to the PCT, and on 7 August, will become bound by the PCT. Consequently, in any international application filed on or after 7 August 1999, Dominica may be designated and, because it will be bound by Chapter II of the PCT, may also be elected. Furthermore, nationals and residents of Dominica will be entitled from 7 August 1999 to file international applications under the PCT.

Dominica becomes the 102nd Contracting State of the PCT. (See also below information concerning Dominica's accession to the Paris Convention.)

PARIS CONVENTION

Accession by Dominica

On 7 May 1999, Dominica deposited its instrument of accession to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property. Dominica will become bound by that Convention on 7 August 1999.

MODIFIED REQUEST AND DEMAND FORMS

Request Form (PCT/RO/101)

The Request Form, the Notes to the request form, as well as the Notes to the fee calculation sheet, which are annexed to the Request Form, have been modified with effect from 1 July 1999.

By that date, the following new PCT Contracting States will have become bound by the PCT since the last revision of the form in January 1999 and have been added to Box No. V under *National Patent*: AE United Arab Emirates and ZA South Africa. SL Sierra Leone, following its accession to the Harare Protocol within the framework of the African Regional Industrial Property Organization (ARIPO), has been added to that box for an ARIPO patent under *Regional Patent*. Other modifications have also been made to the Notes to the request form, namely, to the Notes to Box No. V, in respect of certain

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<i>Tear-out sheets: provisional sheets for the PCT Applicant's Guide, Vol. I/A, Annex A, Annex B1 (SL), and Vol. II/C, National Chapter, Summary (SL); modified second sheet of Request Form in English and French (PCT Applicant's Guide, Vol. I/B, Annex X), and in German and Spanish</i>	

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kinds of protection for certain States, and also to take into account the new PCT Contracting State (ZA South Africa) whose residents and nationals (natural persons) are eligible for a reduction in the basic, designation and confirmation fees. The other sheets of the Request Form have not been modified except for the inclusion on each sheet of an indication of the date of reprinting.

Modified versions of the second sheet of the Request Form (which includes Box No. V) in English and French are included in this issue as white tear-out sheets for insertion in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex X. Also included in this issue are modified versions of the second sheet in German and Spanish. The inserted sheets may be photocopied and used, along with other sheets of the Request Form which remain unchanged, for the

filing of international applications on or after 1 July 1999.

Demand Form (PCT/IPEA/401)

The Demand Form has not been modified except for the inclusion of the date of reprinting (July 1999) on each sheet.

There is one modification to the Notes to the fee calculation sheet, which are annexed to the Demand Form, in respect of the new PCT Contracting State (ZA South Africa) whose residents and nationals (natural persons) are eligible for a reduction in the handling fee.

How to obtain copies of the Request and Demand Forms

Consolidated versions, in English and French, of the modified Request and Demand Forms, together with their respective accompanying notes, will be included in the July 1999 update of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes X and Y. As from the end of June 1999, copies of the Request Form in English, French, German and Spanish can also be obtained, free of charge, from receiving Offices and the International Bureau, and copies of the Demand Form in those languages can also be obtained, free of charge, from receiving Offices, International Preliminary Examining Authorities and the International Bureau. Due to translation requirements, there may be a slight delay in the availability of those forms in other languages.

The July 1999 versions of the Request and Demand Forms in English, French, German and Spanish will also be included, in PDF format, on WIPO's Internet site (<http://www.wipo.int>).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes X and Y)

PCT INFORMATION UPDATE

AT Austria (fax number; e-mail and Internet addresses)

The fax number, as well as the e-mail and Internet addresses of the Austrian Patent Office have changed, as follows:

fax: (43-1) 53424-200
(Groups 2 and 3)

PCT MATERIALS ON INTERNET

(<http://www.wipo.int>)

*PCT Gazette**
PCT Information Line
PCT Newsletter (Nos. 01/1997-06/1999*)
PCT Applicant's Guide
PCT-EASY
Recent PCT press releases/updates
PCT seminar calendar*
Basic Facts about the PCT
The PCT in 1998
About the Treaty
Text of the Patent Cooperation Treaty
Status of ratifications*
Text of the Regulations under the PCT
Administrative Instructions under the PCT
PCT Receiving Office Guidelines
PCT International Search Guidelines
PCT International Preliminary Examination Guidelines
Direct filing of PCT applications with the International Bureau as PCT receiving Office
PCT forms
PCT Assembly documents: 1997, 1998

*New or revised since last issue of the *PCT Newsletter*

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PCT INFORMATION LINE

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 Internet: http://www.patent.bmwa.gv.at

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*,
 Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (AT))

BE Belgium (e-mail and Internet addresses)

The e-mail address of the Industrial Property Office of Belgium has changed, and that Office now has an Internet address, as follows:

e-mail: piie_dir@pophost.eunet.be
 piie_doc@pophost.eunet.be

Internet: http://mineco.fgov.be

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*,
 Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (BE))

BG Bulgaria (e-mail address)

The e-mail address of the Bulgarian Patent Office has changed, as follows:

e-mail: bpo@ld.internet-bg.net

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*,
 Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (BG))

BY Belarus (evidence of mailing a document)

There has been a change in the requirements as to whether the Belarus Patent Office would accept evidence of mailing of a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used; it will now accept such evidence provided that the delivery service is DHL, Federal Express or TNT.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*,
 Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (BY))

CA Canada (fees)

As from 15 July 1999, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the following fees payable to the Canadian Patent Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount of the PCT-EASY fee reduction:

basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30, designation fee and PCT-EASY fee reduction: see Table I(a) and footnote 2

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*,
 Vol. I/B, Annex C (CA))

CU Cuba (e-mail address; number of copies required)

The e-mail address of the Cuban Industrial Property Office has changed, as follows:

e-mail: ocpi@ocpi.cu

That Office as receiving Office has changed its requirements concerning the number of copies it requires:

number of copies required by the receiving office	3
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*,
 Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (CU), and Vol. I/B,
 Annex C (CU))

EP European Patent Office (corrigendum: international search fee in certain currencies; e-mail address; fees)

International search fee: please disregard the references made in *PCT Newsletter* No. 05/1999 (on page 4 and in Table I(b)) to new equivalent amounts payable as from 1 July 1999 in CHF, CYP, DKK, GBP, GRD and SEK for an international search carried out by the European Patent Office (EPO) in respect of international applications filed *before* 1 July 1999.

It is important to note that the reduced international search fee, applicable as from 1 July 1999, **does not apply** to international applications received before that date, even if the time limit for payment expires, and the actual payment is made, on or after 1 July 1999. Applicants who, in respect of such applications, pay the newly applicable amount will, in accordance with PCT Rule 16bis.1, be required to pay the missing amount, together with, where applicable, the late payment fee under PCT Rule 16bis.2.

Table I(b) now includes a cumulative list of the equivalent amounts in all currencies in which payment may be made for an international search carried out by the EPO in respect of international applications received on or after 1 July 1999.

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The e-mail address for the European Patent Office (EPO) as receiving Office and as International Searching Authority at the EPO Branch at the Hague is as follows:

e-mail: pctisa@epo.nl

As from 1 July 1999, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts in CHF, CYP, DKK, GBP, GRD and SEK of the following fee, payable to that Office as receiving Office:

transmittal fee: see footnote 7 of the fee tables

As from 1 July 1999, and in respect of any international application received on or after that date, there will be a change in the amount of the following national fee payable to the EPO as designated and elected Office:

(European) search fee: EUR 690

and a maximum number of seven European designation fees will be payable to that Office, no fee being due for any designation in excess of seven. It is important to note that the reduced European search fee and the ceiling on European designation fees **do not apply** to international applications received before 1 July 1999 which designate EP, even if the time limits for payment expire, or if entry into the European regional phase occurs, on or after 1 July 1999. Applicants who, in respect of such applications, pay the newly applicable amounts of the European search or designation fees will be required to pay the missing amount, supplemented in most cases by surcharges under Rule 85a EPC.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annexes B1 (EP), C (EP) and D (EP), and Vol. II/A, National Chapter, Summary (EP))

GB United Kingdom (telephone number; location; fees)

The United Kingdom Patent Office has an additional telephone number, as follows:

(44-1633) 81 45 86 (for international applications)
 (44-1633) 81 40 00 (operator service)
 (44-645) 22 22 50 (Minicor number for deaf or hard of hearing)

As from 21 June 1999, there will be a change in the address at which filings by hand may additionally be made to that Office, as follows:

Harmsworth House
 13-15 Bouverie Street
 London EC4 8DP
 United Kingdom

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to that Office as designated and elected Office, have changed:

national (filing) fee: GBP 10

preliminary examination and search fee:

— where a search has already been made by an International Searching Authority in accordance with the PCT: GBP 100

— in other cases: GBP 130

The conditions under which a reduction in the national fee may be obtained have also changed, as follows:

exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee:

preliminary examination and search fee: reduced fee payable where an international search report has been established (see above). Refund of whole fee where the application does not proceed to substantive examination and no search has been made in the United Kingdom Patent Office.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (GB), and Vol. II/A, National Chapter, Summary (GB))

GE Georgia (types of protection)

Patents of addition are no longer available via the PCT in Georgia. The types of protection which are available are as follows:

patents, utility models

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (GE))

GR Greece (e-mail address)

The Industrial Property Organization of Greece now has an e-mail address, as follows:

e-mail: info@obi.gr

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (GR))

HR Croatia (telephone and fax numbers; Internet address)

The telephone and fax numbers, as well as the Internet address, of the Croatian Intellectual Property Office have changed, as follows:

telephone: (385-1) 611 20 16, 611 78 03

fax: (385-1) 611 20 17

Internet:

<http://pubwww.srce.hr/patent/Novi>

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (HR))

HU Hungary (location)

The location of the Hungarian Patent Office has changed, as follows:

Garibaldi-u.2
1054 Budapest, Hungary

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (HU))

IE Ireland (Internet address; fees)

The Irish Patents Office now has an Internet address, as follows:

Internet: <http://www.patentsoffice.ie>

The following fees, payable to that Office as receiving Office, are now payable in EUR, as well as in IEP:

transmittal fee:	see Table I(a)	
fee for priority document:	IEP 3	EUR 3.81
plus per page:	IEP 0.50	EUR 0.63

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (IE), and Vol. I/B, Annex C (IE))

KZ Kazakhstan (location and mailing address; telephone numbers)

The location and mailing address, as well as the telephone numbers of the Kazakh Patent Office have changed, as follows:

6, Abdullins St., Building 1
480002 Almaty, Kazakhstan

telephone: (7327-2) 30 00 01 (general)
(7327-2) 30 09 73
(secretary)

telephone

[continued]: (7327-2) 30 27 30
(application processing)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (KZ))

LS Lesotho (telephone and fax numbers; e-mail address)

The telephone and fax numbers of the Registrar General's Office of Lesotho has changed, and that Office now has an e-mail address, as follows:

telephone: (266) 31 28 56, 31 32 11,
31 04 02

fax: (266) 31 04 02, 31 10 92

e-mail: lesipo@lesoff.co.za

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (LS))

MD Republic of Moldova (telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses)

The telephone number and the e-mail address of the Moldova Patent Office have changed, and that Office now has an Internet address, as follows:

telephone: (3732) 44 32 53,
44 96 06, 44 96 54

e-mail: office@agepi.md

Internet: <http://www.agepi.md>

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (MD))

MW Malawi (fees)

The amount of the following fee, payable to the Ministry of Justice, Department of the Registrar General of Malawi as receiving Office, has changed:

transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

As from 1 July 1999, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the following fees payable to that Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount of the PCT-EASY fee reduction:

basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30, designation fee and PCT-EASY fee reduction: see Table I(a) and footnote 2

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (MW))

NZ New Zealand (who can act as agent)

There has been a change in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand as receiving Office and as designated and elected Office, as follows:

who can act as agent?

any individual, partnership or body corporate. A list of registered patent attorneys may be obtained from the Office.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (NZ), and Vol. II/B, National Chapter, Summary (NZ))

OA African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) (means of telecommunication; fees)

The African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) has discontinued the use of its teleprinter. The only means of telecommunication by which it will accept the filing of documents is by fax.

The amounts of the following national fees for patents, payable to that Office as designated and elected Office, have changed:

filling fee:	XAF 200,000
fee for priority claims, per priority:	XAF 56,000
publication fee:	XAF 325,000
claim fee for each claim in excess of 10:	XAF 40,000
fee for acceptance of description and drawings:	
– for 11 to 20 sheets	XAF 97,000
– for 21 to 30 sheets	XAF 165,000
– for 31 to 40 sheets	XAF 233,000
– after 40 for each set of 10 sheets	XAF 68,000
annual fee for the second year:	XAF 195,000
annual fee for the third year:	XAF 195,000

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B2 (OA), and Vol. II/C, National Chapter, Summary (OA))

SG Singapore (Internet address)

The Internet address of the Registry of Patents of Singapore has changed, as follows:

Internet: <http://www.gov.sg/molaw/ipos>

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex B1 (SG))

SL Sierra Leone (general information)

Information about Sierra Leone as a Contracting State and a summary of requirements for entry into the national phase in Sierra Leone is set out on pink tear-out provisional sheets for the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (SL), and Vol. II/C, National Chapter, Summary (SL).

TJ Tajikistan (telephone and fax numbers; e-mail address)

The telephone and fax numbers of the Tajik Patent Office have changed, and that Office now has an e-mail address, as follows:

telephone: (992–372) 27 59 87

fax: (992–372) 21 71 54, 21 04 04

e-mail: ncpi@ncpi.td.silk.org

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (TJ))

UZ Uzbekistan (telephone and fax numbers)

The telephone and fax numbers of the Uzbek Patent Office have changed, as follows:

telephone: (998–71) 132 00 13, 133 45 56

fax: (998–71) 133 45 56

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (UZ))

VN Vietnam (Internet address)

The National Office of Industrial Property of Viet Nam now has an Internet address, as follows:

Internet: <http://www.fpt.vn/adv/noip/>

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex B1 (VN))

YU Yugoslavia (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Federal Intellectual Property Office of Yugoslavia as receiving Office, have changed:

transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

fee for priority document: YUD 120

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to that Office as designated and elected Office, have changed:

for patent:

filing fee: YUD 600

claim fee for each claim in excess of 10: YUD 120

additional fee for late entry into the national phase: 50% of the filing fee

examination fee: YUD 2,400

publication fee: YUD 30

annual fee for the first three years: YUD 400

for petty patent:

filing fee: YUD 480

additional fee for late entry into the national phase: 50% of the filing fee

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (YU), and Vol. II/C, National Chapter, Summary (YU))

Search fee (Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office)

The equivalent amount payable in ZAR for an international search carried out by the Austrian Patent Office, has been established, as indicated in Table I(b).

As from 1 July 1999, there will be a change in the amount payable in ESP, in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF and USD, and a newly established equivalent amount in EUR will be payable for an international search carried out by the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as indicated in Table I(b).

For information on the amounts payable for an international search carried out by

the European Patent Office, see "EP European Patent Office."

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex D (AT and ES))

Preliminary examination fee (European Patent Office)

As from 1 July 1999, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF, CYP, DKK, GBP, GRD and SEK for an international preliminary examination carried out by the European Patent Office, as indicated in Table II.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex E (EP))

List of Contracting States

The pink tear-out provisional sheet for the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex A (PCT Contracting States) includes Costa Rica and Dominica and the date of entry into force of the PCT in respect of those States (see cover page of *PCT Newsletter* No. 05/1999 and of this issue, respectively, for details).

PCT-EASY UPDATE

An update of the PCT-EASY software (effective 1 June 1999) is now available. It includes States that will become bound by the PCT in the coming months (the designations of which will only be active in PCT-EASY as from the respective dates of entry into force of the PCT) and new fee amounts, which affect the fee schedules of many different receiving Offices. Users of PCT-EASY are strongly encouraged to update their software.

Note that this patch updates only Version 2.83 or later; users of earlier versions will need to update using the full installation of Version 2.84. To obtain the update patch (1.3 mb), you may download it from the PCT-EASY home page (<http://pcteasy.wipo.int>) or request that a copy be sent to you as one or several e-mail attachments.

A PCT-EASY discussion group has recently been created at our website (<http://pcteasy.wipo.int/discuss.htm>), which we hope will provide another useful way to communicate with our users. Feel

free to post your comments and questions about any aspect of PCT-EASY. Our support staff will be tuned in to this discussion, and will reply to questions posted here.

PRACTICAL ADVICE

Late delivery of documents due to delay in the mail service

Q: On 2 April 1999, five weeks after the date of transmittal (26 February 1999) of the international search report, I filed amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19, in relation to an international application claiming the priority of an earlier application filed on 14 November 1997. However, on receipt from the International Bureau of the Notification concerning the filing of amendments of the claims, I was surprised to see that those amendments were received only on 10 May 1999, which was after the expiration of the time limit for submitting amendments under PCT Rule 46.1 (26 April 1999) and even after the completion of technical preparations for publication, which took place, as I later found out from the International Bureau, on 5 May 1999, 15 days before the publication date of 20 May 1999. The amended claims have consequently not been published. Since I feel that I mailed the amendments sufficiently early and that it is due to a delay in the postal service that the amendments were received late, I would like to know whether there is any way in which the delay in the receipt of the amendments can be excused so that they can still be published and be taken into account for further processing during the international and national phases.

A: Under certain conditions, a delay in the delivery of a document may be excused and the time limit in question may be deemed to be met (PCT Article 48(1)). PCT Rule 82 ("Irregularities in the mail service") contains detailed provisions governing the situations where a document or letter arrives late or is lost due to irregularities in the mail service. Evidence that a document or letter has been mailed at least five days prior to the expiration of a time limit may be offered (in your case, this would be five

days prior to the expiration of two months from the date of transmittal of the international search report), provided the following conditions are met:

- the mailing was by airmail (except where surface mail normally arrives at its destination within two days of mailing, or where no airmail service is available); and
- the mail was registered by the postal authorities.

You do not mention how your amendments were mailed, but if your mailing did not meet the above conditions, but you used a delivery service instead, note that some Offices (or organizations), including the International Bureau, will accept evidence of mailing a document where it was registered with a delivery service other than the postal service. The *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annexes B1 and B2, contains, for each Office, information on whether or not it accepts evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used. Some Offices specify particular services which must be used in order for them to accept such evidence. Even if the delivery service is not one of those specified by the Office, or if the Office has not notified the International Bureau that it will accept such evidence, the Office is still not precluded from accepting such evidence.

Any evidence of mailing within the prescribed time limit must be submitted to the Office concerned within one month after the delay was noticed, and in any case within six months from the expiration of the time limit applicable in the particular case (PCT Rule 82.1(c)).

If the addressee, in your case, the International Bureau, is satisfied that the above-mentioned conditions have been met, delay in the delivery of the amendments will be excused and they will be published, together with the (republished) front page of the pamphlet, as soon as possible. If the above-mentioned conditions have not been met, the delay in the receipt of your amendments will not be excused. It is recalled, however, that you still have the option of filing amendments under PCT

Article 34 with the International Preliminary Examining Authority, if you have filed or intend to file a demand for international preliminary examination, or of filing amendments under PCT Articles 28 or 41 in the national phase.

Note that, in the case of the loss of a document or letter in the mail, substitution for it of a new copy is permitted, provided that the interested party proves to the satisfaction of the Office concerned that the document or letter offered in substitution is identical with the docu-

ment or letter lost. The time limit for submitting such evidence is the same as that which is applicable when the document or letter is delayed in the mail (see above).

For further information, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I, paragraphs 465-466, and for details regarding interruptions in the mail service on account of situations such as: war, revolution, civil disorder, strike or natural calamity in the locality where the applicant resides, see PCT Rule 82.2.

PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR			
Dates and Location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
10 June 1999 Paris (FR)	French	Basic seminar on PCT procedures for patent administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Baron	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Mrs. Christiane Sadrin) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 55 76 or (Mr. Jean-Pierre Cardon) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 52 70 Fax: (33-1) 42 93 63 52
16 June 1999 Washington, D.C. (US)	English	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	The District of Columbia Bar's Intellectual Property Law Section (Ms. Meredith Myers) Tel: (1-202) 626 34 63
17 June 1999 Paris (FR)	French	PCT presentation for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon Other speakers: Mr. Catherine (Cabinet Casalonga Josse), Mr. Mougeot (Pechiney), Mr. Mousseron (Faculté de Droit de Montpellier),	Fondation Nationale pour le Droit de l'Entreprise (FNDE) and Association Française des Spécialistes en Propriété Industrielle de l'Industrie (ASPI) (Mrs. Heuzé) Tel: (33-1) 42 66 18 19 Fax: (33-1) 42 66 17 37
17 June 1999 Boston (US)	English	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Boston Patent Law Association (Mr. Walter F. Dawson) Tel: (1-978) 452 19 71
18 June 1999 Minneapolis (US)	English	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Minnesota Intellectual Property Law Association, International Committee (Ms. Laura Suby) Tel: (1-651) 736 62 40
21 June 1999 Houston (US)	English	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Houston Intellectual Property Law Association (Mr. Paul Janicke) Tel: (1-713) 743 21 64 (or Ms. Kristi Barr) Tel: (1-713) 651 56 68
22 June 1999 Austin (US)	English	PCT-EASY presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	American Intellectual Property Law Association and the Austin Intellectual Property Law Association (Ms. Kim Minear) Tel: (1-512) 347 16 11
22-23 June 1999 Munich(DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
24 June 1999 Munich (DE)	German	PCT-EASY training WIPO speakers: Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
25 June 1999 Munich (DE) (CANCELLED)	German	PCT-EASY training WIPO speakers: Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de

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Dates and Location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
11–13 August 1999 Washington, D.C.	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon and Mr. Maassel Other speaker: Mr. Reed (Procter & Gamble)	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1–804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1–804) 296 39 99
16–18 August 1999 Washington, D.C.	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon and Mr. Maassel Other speaker: Mr. Reed (Procter & Gamble)	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1–804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1–804) 296 39 99
16–17 September 1999 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
19 October 1999 Helsinki (FI)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon and Mr. Reischle	National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland (Ms. Mirja Kuismanen) Tel: (358–9) 69 39 52 36 Fax: (358–9) 69 39 53 22 E-mail: Mirja.Kuismanen@prh.fi
20–21 October 1999 Helsinki (FI)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon and Mr. Reischle	National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland (Ms. Mirja Kuismanen) Tel: (358–9) 69 39 52 36 Fax: (358–9) 69 39 53 22 E-mail: Mirja.Kuismanen@prh.fi
8–9 November 1999 Austin (US)	English	Intermediate PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel Other speaker: Ms. Carol Bidwell (United States Patent and Trademark Office)	3M, Haynes and Boone, and Austin Intellectual Property Law Association (Ms. Linda Bradshaw) Tel: (1–512) 984 59 53 E-mail: ljbradshaw@mmm.com
11–12 November 1999 Chicago (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Maassel	The John Marshall Law School (Mr. Gary T. Watson) Tel: (1–312) 987 14 20 Fax: (1–312) 427 71 28 E-mail: 6cangian@jmls.edu
15–16 November 1999 San Francisco (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Maassel	Intellectual Property International (Ms. Virginia H. Meyer) Tel: (1–415) 289 74 71 Fax: (1–415) 331 60 68 E-mail: IPI@IPISeminars.com Internet: www.ipiseminars.com
17–18 November 1999 San Francisco (US)	English	PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Maassel	Intellectual Property International (Ms. Virginia H. Meyer) Tel: (1–415) 289 74 71 Fax: (1–415) 331 60 68 E-mail: IPI@IPISeminars.com Internet: www.ipiseminars.com

PCT FEE TABLES

The following Tables show the amounts (including currencies—see the key to currency abbreviations following Table II) of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The total amount of the basic fee and designation fee may be reduced by CHF 200 under certain circumstances where the request is prepared using the PCT-EASY software; see footnote 2 for details. A 75% reduction in the basic fee, the supplement per sheet over 30, the designation fee and the handling fee, as well as the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is available to applicants from certain States; see footnote 3 for details. (Note that if both the CHF 200 reduction and the 75% reduction are applicable, the 75% reduction is calculated *after* the CHF 200 reduction.) Footnotes to all Fee Tables follow Table II.

Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES
(as at 1 June 1999, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4} (CHF 150)	Competent ISA(s) ⁵
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 650	15	150	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or equiv in local currency)	USD 455	10	105	AT EP SE
AT	ATS 700	ATS 5,683	137.60	1,307.23	EP
AU	AUD 100	AUD 722	17	166	AU
AZ	AZM ⁶ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
BA	DEM 50	DEM 800	19	184	EP
BE	BEF 1,500	BEF 16,660	403	3,832	EP
BG	BGL 60,000	BGL equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP RU
BR	BRR 236	BRR equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT EP SE US
BY	BYR equiv of USD 70	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
CA	CAD 200	CAD 721 (from 15.7.99: 641)	17 (15)	166 (148)	EP
CH	CHF 100	CHF 650	15	150	EP
CN	CNY 500	CNY equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	CN
CU	USD (or CUP equiv) 200	USD (or CUP equiv) 455	10	105	AT EP ES RU
CY	CYP 75	CYP 250	6	60	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	CZK equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
DE	DEM 150	DEM 807.76	19.56	185.80	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 3,050	70	710	EP SE
EA	RUR equiv of USD 50	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
EE	EEK 1,800	EEK equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
EP ⁷	EUR 102	EUR 413	10	95	EP
ES	ESP 10,040	ESP 68,717	1,664	15,807	EP ES
FI	FIM 800	FIM 2,455.59	59.46	564.84	EP SE
FR	FRF 400 or EUR 60.98	FRF 2,709.10	65.60	623.16	EP

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Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued]

(as at 1 June 1999, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4} (CHF 150)	Competent ISA(s) ⁵
GB	GBP 55	GBP 285	6	65	EP
GE	GEL ⁶ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
GH	GHC ⁸ 2,500 or 5,000	USD 455	10	105	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	GRD 39,500	GRD 127,000	3,000	30,000	EP
HR	HRK 200	HRK equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
HU	HUF ⁹ 10,000	HUF equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP RU
IB	CHF ³ 300	CHF 650	15	150	See footnote ¹⁰
	or USD ³ 200	or USD 455	10	105	
ID	IDR ⁶ —	IDR equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AU EP RU
IE	IEP 60	IEP 325.26	7.88	74.82	EP
	or EUR 76.18				
IL	ILS 425	USD 455	10	105	EP US
IN	INR 5,000	USD 455	10	105	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 5,500	ISK 32,000	700	7,400	EP SE
IT	ITL 60,000	ITL 799,680	19,363	183,946	EP
JP	JPY 18,000	JPY 54,800	1,300	12,600	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv) 30	USD 455	10	105	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS equiv of USD 100	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
KP	KPW equiv of CHF 50	KPW equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT RU
KR	KRW 45,000	KRW equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT AU JP
KZ	KZT ⁶ —	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 455	10	105	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM ⁶ —	LSM equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT EP
LT	LTL equiv of USD 80	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
LU	LUF/BEF 800	LUF/BEF 16,660	403	3,832	EP
LV	LVL 40	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
MC	FRF 320	FRF 2,709.10	65.60	623.16	EP
MD	MDL ⁶ 180	USD 455	10	105	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,750	MKD equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
MN	None	CHF 650	15	150	EP RU
MW	MWK 1,500	MWK 11,600 (from 1.7. 99: 18,000)	270 (400)	2,700 (4,200)	EP
MX	MXP ³ equiv of USD 200	MXP equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP ES SE US
NL	NLG 110	NLG 910.13	22.04	209.35	EP
NO	NOK 500	NOK 3,300	75	770	EP SE
NZ	NZD 155	NZD 850	20	196	AU EP US
PL	PLZ 240	PLZ equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
PT	PTE 4,650	PTE 82,799	2,005	19,046	EP

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Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued]
(as at 1 June 1999, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		Basic fee ^{1,2,3} (CHF 650)		Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4} (CHF 150)	Competent ISA(s) ⁵
RO	ROL	300,000	CHF	650	15	150	AT EP RU
RU	RUR	294	USD	455	10	105	EP RU
SD	SDP	50	SDP	equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
SE	SEK	1,000	SEK	3,500	80	800	EP SE
SG	SGD	135	SGD	820	20	190	AT AU EP
SI	SIT	22,000	SIT	equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
SK	SKK	1,600	SKK	equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	EP
TJ	TJR ⁶	—	USD	455	10	105	EP RU
TM	USD ⁶	—	USD	455	10	105	EP RU
TR	CHF	100	CHF	650	15	150	AT AU CN EP RU
TT	TTD	750	USD	455	10	105	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH	255	USD	455	10	105	EP RU
US	USD	240	USD	455	10	105	EP US
UZ	USD ⁶	—	USD	455	10	105	EP RU
VN	VND	equiv of USD 150	VND	equiv of CHF 650	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 150	AT AU EP RU SE
YU	YUD	600	CHF	650	15	150	EP
ZA	ZAR	500	ZAR	2,790	65	644	AT AU EP
ZW	ZWD	550	ZWD	equiv of USD 455	equiv of USD 10	equiv of USD 105	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — SEARCH FEES
(as at 1 June 1999, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT	ATS	2,200	CHF	250	SGD	313	USD	180	ZAR	1,040		
AU	AUD	800	CHF	721	NZD	910	SGD	875	USD	488	ZAR	3,126
CN	CNY	800	CHF	140	USD	100						
EP ¹¹	For international applications received before 1 July 1999:											
	EUR	1,124	CYP	671	FRF	7,372.96	ITL	2,176,367	NLG	2,476.97	SEK	10,730
	ATS	15,466.58	DEM	2,198.35	GBP	812	JPY	149,000	NOK	9,800	SGD	2,124
	BEF	45,342	DKK	8,640	GRD	392,900	LUF	45,342	NZD	2,286	USD	1,227
	CAD	2,088	ESP	187,018	IEP	885.22	MWK	32,600	PTE	225,341.80	ZAR	7,620
	CHF	1,850	FIM	6,683	ISK	94,000						
	For international applications received on or after 1 July 1999:											
	EUR	945	CYP	558	FRF	6,198.79	ITL	1,829,775	NLG	2,082.51	SEK	8,510
	ATS	13,003.48	DEM	1,848.26	GBP	638	JPY	120,000	NOK	7,844	SGD	1,704
	BEF	38,121	DKK	7,090	GRD	314,700	LUF	38,121	NZD	1,799	USD	1,002
	CAD	1,874	ESP	157,235	IEP	744.25	MWK	42,000	PTE	189,455.50	ZAR	6,138
	CHF	1,530	FIM	5,618.71	ISK	74,600						
ES	ESP*	76,520	CHF*	724	USD*	494						
	*(from 1.7.99: ESP 157,235 CHF 1,530 EUR 945 USD 1,002)											
JP	JPY	77,000	CHF	923	USD	644						
RU ¹²	USD	300	CHF	430								
SE	SEK	6,200 ¹³	6,800 ¹⁴		FIM	4,200 ¹³	4,600 ¹⁴		USD	815 ¹³	895 ¹⁴	
	CHF	1,180 ¹³	1,290 ¹⁴		ISK	58,500 ¹³	64,000 ¹⁴					
	DKK	5,300 ¹³	5,800 ¹⁴		NOK	5,750 ¹³	6,300 ¹⁴					
US	USD	700	450 ¹⁵		CHF*	1,014	652 ¹⁵		NZD	1,340	862 ¹⁵	

Table II — PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FEES
(as at 1 June 1999, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ¹⁶			Handling fee ^{3,16} (CHF 233)							
AT	ATS	2,200		ATS	2,020						
AU	AUD	450		AUD	260						
CN	CNY	800		CNY equiv of CHF 233							
EP ¹¹	EUR	1,533	DKK* 11,790	IEP	1,207.34	EUR	148	DKK	1,000	IEP	116.56
	ATS	21,094.54	ESP 255,070	ITL	2,968,302	ATS	2,036.52	ESP	24,625	ITL	286,568
	BEF	61,841	FIM 9,114.80	LUF	61,841	BEF	5,970	FIM	879.97	LUF	5,970
	CHF*	2,520	FRF 10,055.82	NLG	3,378.29	CHF	233	FRF	970.82	NLG	326.15
	CYP*	915	GBP* 1,107	PTE	307,338.90	CYP	85	GBP	100	PTE	29,671
	DEM	2,998.29	GRD* 535,700	SEK*	14,630	DEM	289.46	GRD	46,000	SEK	1,250
	*(from 1.7.99:			CHF	2,480	GBP	1,035				
				CYP	904	GRD	510,500				
				DKK	11,500	SEK	13,800)				
	JP	JPY	28,000		JPY	19,600					
	RU ¹²	USD	200 ¹⁷	300 ¹⁸	USD	162					
SE	SEK	4,200		SEK	1,250						
US	USD	490	750 ¹⁹	USD	162						

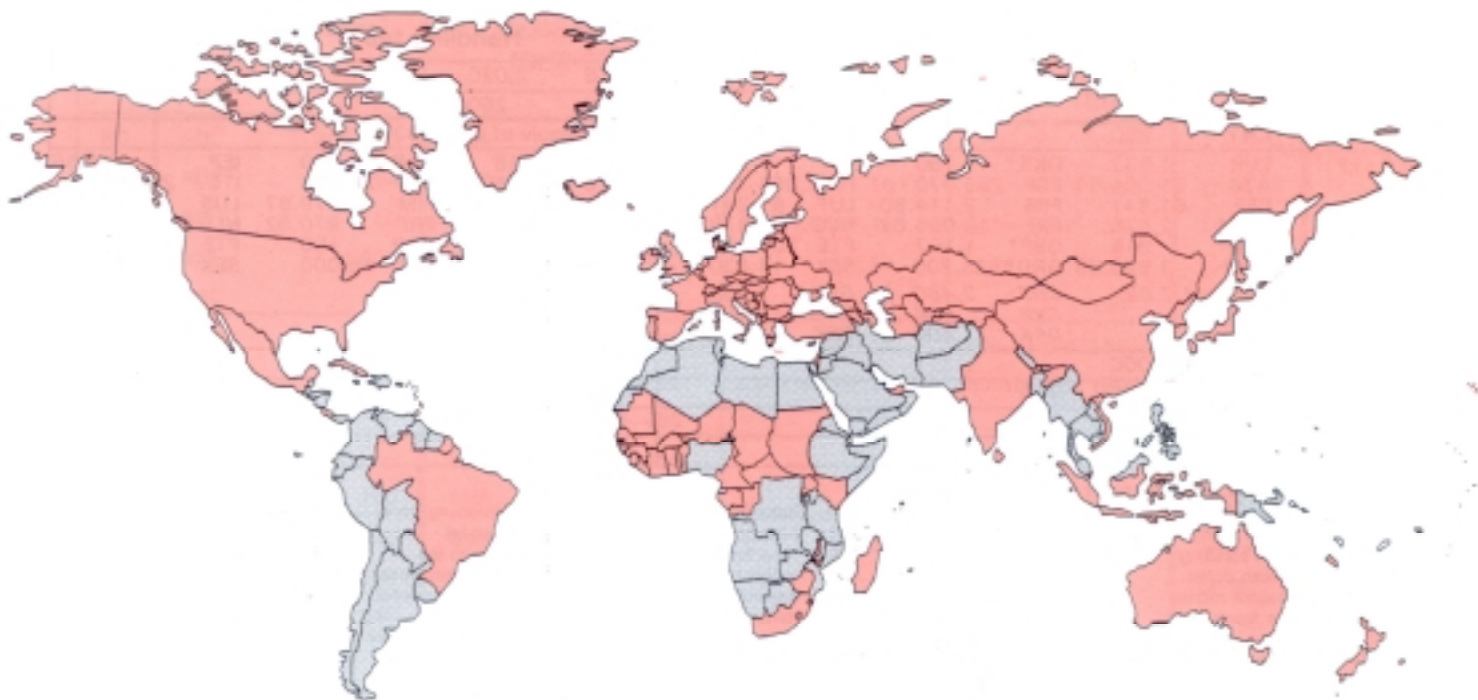
Key to currency abbreviations for all fee tables:

ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	LUF	Luxembourg franc	SEK	Swedish krona
AMD	Armenian dram	DEM	Deutsche mark	IEP	Irish pound	LVL	Latvian lat	SGD	Singapore dollar
ATS	Austrian schilling	DKK	Danish krone	ILS	New Israel shekel	MDL	Moldovan leu	SIT	Slovenian tolar
AUD	Australian dollar	EEK	Estonian kroon	INR	Indian rupee	MKD	Macedonian denar	SKK	Slovak koruna
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	ESP	Spanish peseta	ISK	Icelandic krona	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJR	Tajik rouble
BEF	Belgian franc	EUR	Euro	ITL	Italian lira	MXP	Mexican peso	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
BGL	Bulgarian lev	FIM	Finnish markka	JPY	Japanese yen	NLG	Netherlands guilder	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
BRR	Brazilian real	FRF	French franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
BYR	Belarusian rouble	GBP	Pound sterling	KGS	Kyrgyz som	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
CAD	Canadian dollar	GEL	Georgian lari	KPW	KP won	PLZ	Polish zloty	YUD	Yugoslavian dinar
CHF	Swiss franc	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	KRW	KR won	PTE	Portuguese escudo	ZAR	South African rand
CNY	Yuan renminbi	GRD	Greek drachma	KZT	Kazakh tenge	ROL	Romanian leu	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
CUP	Cuban convertible peso	HRK	Croatian kuna	LSM	Lesotho loti	RUR	Russian rouble		
CYP	Cyprus pound	HUF	Hungarian forint	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDP	Sudanese pound		

Footnotes for all fee tables:

- Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- The total amount of the basic fee and designation fee is, as from 1 January 1999, reduced by 200 Swiss francs (equivalent to: ATS 1,747.56; AUD 222; BEF 5,123; CAD 220 (from 15.7.99: CAD 197); CYP 75; DEM 248.39; DKK 940; ESP 21,131; EUR 127; FIM 755.11; FRF 833.07; GBP 88; GRD 39,100; IEP 100.02; ISK 9,800; ITL 245,906; JPY 16,900; KRW 220,300; LUF 5,123; MWK 3,600 (from 1.7.99: MWK 5,600); NLG 279.87; NOK 1,020; NZD 262; PTE 25,461; SEK 1,080; SGD 250 and USD 140) where: (a) the request is presented as a computer print-out prepared using the PCT-EASY software; (b) the request is filed together with a computer diskette, prepared using that software, containing a copy in electronic form of the data contained in the request and of the abstract; and (c) the international application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept the filing of international applications containing requests in PCT-EASY format together with PCT-EASY diskettes.
- This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Congo, Costa Rica (from 3 August 1999), Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Dominica (from 7 August 1999), Estonia, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Niger, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia or Zimbabwe. For further details, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/1995, cover page, No. 11/1995, page 6, and No. 05/1996, cover page.
- The confirmation fee payable under PCT Rules 4.9(c) and 15.5 is 50% of the designation fee due (taking into account any applicable 75% reduction; see footnote 3).
- For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- The amounts are not yet known or, where known, are subject to periodical revision. The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable schedule of fees.
- The amounts of the transmittal fee in currencies other than EUR are as follows: ATS 1,403.55; BEF 4,115; CHF 170; CYP 61 (from 1.7.99: CYP 60; DEM 199.49; DKK 790 (from 1.7.99: DKK 770); ESP 16,971; FIM 606.46; FRF 669.08; GBP 74 (from 1.7.99: GBP 69); GRD 35,700 (from 1.7.99: GRD 34,000); IEP 80.33; ITL 197,500; LUF 4,115; NLG 224.78; PTE 20,449.20; SEK 980 (from 1.7.99: SEK 920). The amounts in those currencies of the basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30 and designation fee are the same as those indicated for the receiving Offices of the respective States, that is RO/AT, BE, CH, etc.
- The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- A supplement of HUF 500 is also payable for each claim in excess of 10.
- The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an international application filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the international application had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (IB).
- Nationals (natural or legal persons) of States which fulfill the requirements for the corresponding reduction of certain PCT fees as specified in the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations (see also footnote 3) may be eligible for reductions in the search and preliminary examination fees. For details, including the amount of the fee reduction and applicable conditions, see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes D (EP) and E (EP). The list of countries concerned is indicated in footnote 3.
- The applicant may, instead of paying the USD amount, pay the equivalent amount in RUR at the exchange rate applicable on the date of payment at the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, provided that, in the case of the search fee, the receiving Office accepts payment in RUR.
- If, on an earlier application, the priority of which is claimed, a search report has been issued by the Swedish Patent Office, the Danish Patent Office, the National Board of Patents and Registration (Finland), the Norwegian Patent Office or the Icelandic Patent Office.
- In all cases where footnote 13 does not apply.
- Payable when a corresponding prior US national application has been filed and the basic national fee for that US application has been paid.
- Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- Payable when the international search report was established by the Russian Patent Office.
- In all cases where footnote 17 does not apply.
- Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C.)

PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES (102 on 1 June 1999)



AE United Arab Emirates	CN China	HR Croatia	LV Latvia ¹	SE Sweden (EP)
AL Albania ¹	CR Costa Rica (from 3 August 1999)	HU Hungary	MC Monaco (EP) ²	SG Singapore
AM Armenia (EA)	CU Cuba	ID Indonesia	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	SI Slovenia ¹
AT Austria (EP)	CY Cyprus (EP) ²	IE Ireland (EP) ²	MG Madagascar	SK Slovakia
AU Australia	CZ Czech Republic	IL Israel	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia ¹	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	IN India	ML Mali (OA) ²	SN Senegal (OA) ²
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina	DK Denmark (EP)	IS Iceland	MN Mongolia	SZ Swaziland (AP) ²
BB Barbados	DM Dominica (from 7 August 1999)	IT Italy (EP) ²	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	TD Chad (OA) ²
BE Belgium (EP) ²	EE Estonia	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	TG Togo (OA) ²
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	ES Spain (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BG Bulgaria	FI Finland (EP)	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	NE Niger (OA) ²	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ²	FR France (EP) ²	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	TR Turkey
BR Brazil	GA Gabon (OA) ²	KR Republic of Korea	NZ New Zealand	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GB United Kingdom (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	PL Poland	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GD Grenada	LC Saint Lucia	PT Portugal (EP)	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) ²	GE Georgia	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	RO Romania ¹	US United States of America
CG Congo (OA) ²	GH Ghana (AP)	LK Sri Lanka	RU Russian Federation (EA)	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GM Gambia (AP)	LR Liberia	SD Sudan (AP)	VN Viet Nam
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	GN Guinea (OA) ²	LS Lesotho (AP)		YU Yugoslavia
CM Cameroon (OA) ²	GR Greece (EP) ²	LT Lithuania ¹		ZA South Africa
	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ²	LU Luxembourg (EP)		ZW Zimbabwe (AP)

¹ Extension of European patent possible.

² May only be designated for a regional patent (the "national route" via the PCT has been closed).

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

Important:

This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any States indicated in **bold italics** have adhered to the PCT but were not yet bound by the PCT on the date of issue of the latest version of the request form. If the applicant wishes to designate any States for the purposes of a national patent, which are bound by the PCT on the date on which the international application is filed but which are not listed in the request form, he must add them in Box No. V of the request form and mark the corresponding check-box. Where a State has adhered to but is not yet bound by the PCT, the date on which it will become bound is shown in parentheses; it cannot be designated in international applications filed before that date.

Applicants should always use the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401), new versions of which are normally issued twice yearly. The latest versions are dated January 1999. The forms are reproduced in Annexes X and Y, respectively, in Vol. I/B of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (January 1999 update), and can be printed from the WIPO Internet site, in PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/eng/pct/forms/index.htm>. The request form can also be obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau. The demand form can also be obtained from receiving Offices, International Preliminary Examining Authorities or the International Bureau. For details on the updated request form, to be used as from 1 July 1999, see cover page.

Box No.V DESIGNATION OF STATES

The following designations are hereby made under Rule 4.9(a) (*mark the applicable check-boxes; at least one must be marked*):

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Gabon GA	24 January 1978	Russian Federation ¹ RU	29 March 1978
Gambia GM	9 December 1997	Saint Lucia ¹ LC	30 August 1996
Georgia ¹ GE	25 December 1991 (18 January 1994 ²)	Senegal SN	24 January 1978
Germany DE	24 January 1978	Sierra Leone SL	17 June 1997
Ghana GH	26 February 1997	Singapore SG	23 February 1995
Greece GR	9 October 1990	Slovakia SK	1 January 1993 (30 December 1992 ²)
Grenada GD	22 September 1998	Slovenia SI	1 March 1994
Guinea GN	27 May 1991	South Africa ¹ ZA	16 March 1999
Guinea-Bissau GW	12 December 1997	Spain ES	16 November 1989
Hungary ¹ HU	27 June 1980	Sri Lanka LK	26 February 1982
Iceland IS	23 March 1995	Sudan SD	16 April 1984
		Swaziland SZ	20 September 1994

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Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT	Name of State followed by country code	Date on which State became bound by the PCT
Sweden ³ SE	17 May 1978	Uganda UG	9 February 1995
Switzerland CH	24 January 1978	Ukraine ¹ UA	25 December 1991 (21 September 1992 ²)
Tajikistan ¹ TJ	25 December 1991 (14 February 1994 ²)	United Arab Emirates AE	10 March 1999
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia MK	10 August 1995	United Kingdom ⁶ GB	24 January 1978
Togo TG	24 January 1978	United States of America ^{7, 8} US	24 January 1978
Trinidad and Tobago TT	10 March 1994	Uzbekistan ¹ UZ	25 December 1991 (18 August 1993 ²)
Turkey TR	1 January 1996	Viet Nam VN	10 March 1993
Turkmenistan ¹ TM	25 December 1991 (1 March 1995 ²)	Yugoslavia YU	1 February 1997
		Zimbabwe ZW	11 June 1997

¹ With the declaration provided for in Article 64(5).

² The date in parentheses is the date on which the State deposited a declaration of continued application of the PCT (Rule 32).

³ With the declaration provided for in Article 64(2)(a)(ii).

⁴ Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

⁵ Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

⁶ Extends to the Isle of Man.

⁷ With the declarations provided for in Articles 64(3)(a) and 64(4)(a).

⁸ Extends to all areas for which the United States of America has international responsibility.

B1**Information on Contracting States****B1****SL****SIERRA LEONE****SL****General information**

Name of Office:	Administrator and Registrar-General's Department
Location:	Roxy Building, Walpole Street, Freetown, Sierra Leone
Mailing address:	—
Telephone:	(232-22) 22 22 94, 22 68 15
Facsimile machine:	(232-22) 22 26 42
Teleprinter:	—
E-mail:	—
Internet:	—
Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?	Yes, by facsimile machine
Which kinds of documents may be so transmitted?	All kinds of documents
Must the original of the document be furnished in all cases?	Yes, within one month from the date of the transmission, if the transmitted document is the application. No, only upon invitation in the case of other documents.
Would the Office accept evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used (PCT Rule 82.1)?	Yes, provided that the delivery service is DHL or EMS
Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Sierra Leone:	ARIPO Office or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)
Competent designated (or elected) Office if Sierra Leone is designated (or elected):	National patent: Administrator and Registrar General's Department (see Volume II) ARIPO patent: ARIPO Office (see Volume II)
May Sierra Leone be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available via the PCT:	National: Patents, utility models ARIPO: Patents
Provisions of the law of Sierra Leone concerning international-type search:	None
Provisional protection after international publication:	None

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Information of interest if Sierra Leone is designated (or elected)

For national protection

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Sierra Leone is designated (or elected):

Must be in the request. If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1)(a), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit fixed in the invitation.

Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material?

No

For an ARIPO patent — See African Regional Industrial Property Organization (AP) in Annex B2

SUMMARY**Designated
(or elected) Office****SUMMARY****SL****ADMINISTRATOR AND REGISTRAR
GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT (SIERRA LEONE)****SL****Summary of requirements for entry into the national phase**

Time limits applicable for entry into the national phase:	Under PCT Article 22: 21 months from the priority date Under PCT Article 39(1): 31 months from the priority date
Translation of international application required into: ¹	English
Required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase: ¹	Under PCT Article 22: Description, claims (if amended, as amended only, together with any statement under PCT Article 19), any text matter of drawings Under PCT Article 39(1): Description, claims, any text matter of drawings (if any of those parts has been amended, only as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report)
Is a copy of the international application required?	No
National fee: ¹	Currency: Sierra Leonean leone (SLL) For patent: National fee: SLL ² ... For utility model: National fee: SLL ² ...
Exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee:	None
Special requirements of the Office (PCT Rule 51 <i>bis</i>): ³	Appointment of an agent if the applicant is not resident in Sierra Leone
Who can act as agent?	Any natural or legal person resident in Sierra Leone

¹ Must be furnished or paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

² The amounts of the fees are not yet known. They will be fixed in the near future. The Office should be consulted for the applicable amounts of fees.

³ If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit fixed in the invitation.