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Competent designated (or elected) Office if Kuwait is designated (or elected):	Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Trademarks and Patent Department (Kuwait) (see National Phase)
May Kuwait be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available via the PCT:	Patents
Provisions of the law of Kuwait concerning international-type search:	None
Provisional protection after international publication:	None

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

May be in the request or may be furnished later. If the indications concerning the inventor are missing at the expiration of the time limit under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of 90 days from the date of the invitation.

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

No
