

**B1 Information on Contracting States B1****LA LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC LA****General information**

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Competent designated (or elected) Office if the Lao People's Democratic Republic is designated (or elected):	Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Science and Technology (Lao People's Democratic Republic)
May the Lao People's Democratic Republic be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available via the PCT:	Patents, utility models
Provisions of the law of the Lao People's Democratic Republic concerning international-type search:	None
Provisional protection after international publication:	None

**Information of interest if the Lao People's Democratic Republic is designated (or elected)**

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if the Lao People's Democratic Republic is designated (or elected):	May be in the request or may be furnished later. 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 of three months from the date of receipt of the invitation.
Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material?	No