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Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?	No
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
Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Sao Tome and Principe:	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)
Competent designated (or elected) Office if Sao Tome and Principe is designated (or elected):	National protection: Industrial Property National Service (SENAPI) ARIPO protection: African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) (see National Phase)
May Sao Tome and Principe be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available via the PCT:	National: Patents ARIPO: Patents, utility models (a utility model may be sought instead of or in addition to an ARIPO patent)
Provisions of the law of Sao Tome and Principe concerning international-type search:	None
Provisional protection after international publication:	None

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Information of interest if Sao Tome and Principe is designated (or elected)

For national protection

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Sao Tome and Principe 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), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within two months from the date of the invitation.

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

No

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