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Search fee:	See Annex D(EP)
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³ For the relevant notification by the Office, refer to the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* dated 20 February 2014, pages 26 *et seq.*

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