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Competent International Searching Authority:	Egyptian Patent Office, European Patent Office or United States Patent and Trademark Office
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<sup>1</sup> If the language in which the international application is filed is not accepted by the International Searching Authority (see Annex D), the applicant will have to furnish a translation (PCT Rule 12.3).

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<sup>4</sup> For the relevant notification by the Office, see *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* dated 20 August 2015, pages 136 *et seq.*

<sup>5</sup> The Office is competent only if the international search is or has been carried out by that Office.

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Is an agent required by the receiving Office?	No, if the applicant resides in Qatar Yes, if the applicant is a non-resident
Who can act as agent?	Any attorney or lawyer registered in Qatar, any patent attorney holding a license to practice and registered before the Office or any natural or legal person resident in Qatar
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Has the Office waived the requirement that a separate power of attorney be submitted?	No
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