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End of COVID-19-related RO/IB Extended Period for Considering PCT Applications as Withdrawn for Failure to Pay Fees

In its announcement published on 9 April 2020 (www.wipo.int/pct/en/covid_19/82quater.pdf), the International Bureau, in its role as receiving Office (RO/IB), indicated that it would defer the issuance of notifications declaring international applications as considered withdrawn for having failed to pay the appropriate fees within the prescribed time limit (Form PCT/RO/117) until 31 May 2020. This action was taken as a measure to assist PCT applicants whose financial situations may have been impacted by the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. In its further announcement published on 27 May 2020 (www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/2020/news_0014.html), the RO/IB stated that it would further extend that period until 30 June 2020.

While continuing to apply PCT Rule 82*quater*.1 to excuse delays in meeting certain PCT time limits when requested (as indicated in the 9 April announcement), the RO/IB restarted on 1 July 2020 the issuance of Form PCT/RO/117 for failure to pay the required PCT fees. The RO/IB will nevertheless continue to waive the payment of any applicable late payment fees under PCT Rule 16*bis*.2 until further notice.

Information about this was published on the PCT website on 3 July 2020 at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/2020/news_0017.html

Excuse of Delay in Meeting Time Limits Due to Unavailability of Electronic Means of Communication (PCT Rule 82*quater*.2)

It is recalled that the Assembly of the PCT Union, during its fifty-first session which was held in Geneva from 30 September to 9 October 2019, adopted, in addition to other rule changes, new PCT Rule 82*quater*.2 concerning the excuse of delay in meeting certain time limits due to the unavailability of electronic means of communication at an Office or organization. This rule entered into force on 1 July 2020.

International Bureau

The International Bureau (IB), including as receiving Office, has issued a notification in which it states that, with effect from 1 July 2020, delays in meeting time limits may be excused under PCT Rule 82*quater*.2(a) where the ePCT system (with or without strong authentication) or the PCT Contingency Upload Service was being used but was unavailable for a minimum of a continuous one-hour period on a specific working day at the IB.

This applies to all time limits fixed in the Regulations under the PCT and in the Administrative Instructions under the PCT within which an action is to be performed before the IB. It also applies to time limits fixed in invitations or notifications issued to the applicant by the IB. Please note, however, that it does not apply to the priority period.

An interested party who wishes to request excuse of delay in meeting a time limit under PCT Rule 82*quater*.2(a) before the IB should:

1. submit a request to the IB, indicating that the time limit was not met due to the unavailability of the ePCT system or the PCT Contingency Upload Service on a specific date, and
2. perform the relevant action on the next working day at the IB on which the ePCT system or the PCT Contingency Upload Service was again available.

The IB will excuse a delay in meeting the time limits referred to above, if conditions 1 and 2, above, are met and if the IB acknowledges that the ePCT system or the PCT Contingency Upload Service was unavailable for at least a continuous one-hour period on the day in question. The IB will communicate its decision to the interested party by way of Form PCT/IB/345, or Form PCT/RO/132 when it acts as receiving Office.

The full notification by the IB was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 16 July 2020 at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf

This information updates the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B2 (IB).

Furthermore, in accordance with PCT Rule 82*quater*.2(a), the IB informs PCT users of the unavailability of the ePCT system during the following period:

- from 12 July 2020, 7:20 a.m., Central European Summer Time (CEST) to 13 July 2020, 7:52 a.m., CEST.

Applicants who did not meet a PCT time limit due to this particular unavailability may request excuse of delay in meeting that time limit under PCT Rule 82*quater*.2, in accordance with the above-mentioned conditions .

Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)

The Swedish Intellectual Property Office has notified the IB that, pursuant to PCT Rule 82*quater*.2, it will excuse a delay in meeting a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations for performing an action before it that is caused by the unavailability of permitted electronic means of communication at that Office, provided that the duration of such unavailability is at least 24 hours and that the respective action is performed on the next working day on which the said electronic means of communication became available.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (SE))

Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Reminder about the importance of making e-filing data available to the International Bureau

When e-filing an international application, regardless of the receiving Office (RO) with which the application is filed and the software used, a number of files in .pdf and .xml format are automatically generated and grouped together as a filing package. In addition to the bibliographic data used to render the PDF files, such as the request form and fee calculation sheet, the XML files also contain important information that is used by the processing systems

at the International Bureau (IB). For example, when e-filing an international application using ePCT-compatible software that allows the user to copy and paste the WIPO Account Customer ID and eOwnership code during the signature process (PCT-SAFE, EPO Online Filing software, JPO-PAS), once the record copy has been subsequently received at the IB, access rights can be automatically assigned in ePCT to the holder of the corresponding WIPO Account based on the information contained in one of the XML files in the filing package.

For electronic filings submitted directly online to the RO, the XML files are automatically included in the electronic filing package.

For electronic filing with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as RO using ePCT-Filing or PCT-SAFE, or with the Israel Patent Office as RO using ePCT-Filing, the XML files will be included in a data package zip file produced by the e-filing software. It is important to upload the zip file to the RO e-filing system (for example, EFS-Web) so that it can subsequently be forwarded by the RO to the IB with the record copy.

If the IB does not receive the data package zip file, due either to the failure by the applicant to provide it, or to the omission by the RO to transmit it along with the record copy, manual processing will subsequently be required for certain processes. In the case of ePCT access rights, they cannot be assigned automatically by the IB's systems as the Customer ID and eOwnership code will be missing, and the applicant will have to submit a separate eOwnership request.

Fee-related processes designed to facilitate the payment and reimbursement of fees efficiently, in an automated manner, also rely on the XML data contained in the files generated by the e-filing software. For example, in the case of the European Patent Office as RO and/or International Searching Authority, any fee-related instructions provided at the time of filing are included in the electronic filing package, without which automated processing is not possible.

Information about setting up access rights in ePCT at the time of filing electronically is available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/learnmore.html?N=518

African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) and Patents and Companies Registration Agency (PACRA) (Zambia) to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

The African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) and the Patents and Companies Registration Agency (PACRA) (Zambia), in their capacities as receiving Offices, have notified the International Bureau (IB) under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that, with effect from 1 October 2020, they will be prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form. Both Offices will accept international applications filed in electronic form using ePCT-Filing. The applicable electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees are indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The notifications containing the requirements and practices of the Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form were published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 9 July 2020 and 23 July 2020, respectively, at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (AP and ZM))

PCT Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

New two-way PCT-PPH pilot program (Egyptian Patent Office – Japan Patent Office)

On 1 June 2020, a new two-way PCT-PPH pilot program started between the Egyptian Patent Office and the Japan Patent Office. Under this program, accelerated processing in the national phase in one country is available on the basis of a PCT application with a positive written opinion from either the International Searching Authority (ISA) or the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), or a positive international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP) (Chapter II) (that is, where at least one of the claims has been determined as patentable), issued by the Office of the other country in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Further information on the above-mentioned PCT-PPH agreement is available at:

www.jpo.go.jp/e/system/patent/shinsa/soki/pph/japan_egypt_highway.html

www.jpo.go.jp/e/system/patent/shinsa/soki/pph/document/guideline/egypt_egypt_en.pdf

www.jpo.go.jp/e/system/patent/shinsa/soki/pph/document/guideline/egypt_jpo_en.pdf

The PCT-PPH page of the PCT website has been updated to include information on this new pilot (www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html).

PCT Statistics 2019

The PCT Yearly Review, 2020 edition

The 2020 edition of the PCT Yearly Review summarizes PCT activities and developments in 2019. It contains a comprehensive set of statistics relating to PCT filings (including filings by top countries of origin, by top applicants and by technical field) and the performance of the international patent system in 2019, as well as statistics relating to national phase entries in 2018 (the latest available year).

The special theme in the PCT Yearly Review this year is “the top 50 PCT clusters” and provides a descriptive analysis of PCT filing activity at the subnational level, based on the location of inventors named in PCT applications. Identifying and analyzing clusters of PCT filings allows for a more detailed overview of where the innovations described in PCT applications took place globally.

The PCT Yearly Review is available in English at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/activity/index.html

An Executive Summary of the PCT Yearly Review will be available shortly in the following nine languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Spanish.

Japanese and Korean Excerpts from the PCT Newsletter: New E-mail Notifications

Excerpts from each issue of the *PCT Newsletter* have already been published in both Japanese and Korean on the PCT website for a number of years at:

www.wipo.int/pct/ja/newslett/index.html and

www.wipo.int/pct/ko/newslett/index.html

The excerpts usually contain most information that is published in the English version of the *PCT Newsletter*, apart from the PCT Seminar Calendar, the PCT Fee Tables, the PCT Contracting States and Two-Letter Codes, and certain parts of the “PCT Information Update”.

It is now possible for Japanese- and Korean-speaking PCT users to subscribe to e-mails that will notify them, respectively, when the Japanese and Korean excerpts from each issue of the *PCT Newsletter* become available. In order to subscribe, simply sign up at the WIPO central subscription page (where you can also select other WIPO e-mail and e-newsletter subscriptions in those languages) at:

https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/ja/#pct_newsletter

https://www3.wipo.int/newsletters/ko/#pct_newsletter

It is recalled that excerpts are also available in Chinese at:

www.wipo.int/pct/zh/newslett/index.html

and that subscriptions to the equivalent e-mail for the Chinese excerpts can be made at:

www3.wipo.int/newsletters/zh/#pct_newsletter

Collaborative Search and Examination Pilot News

It is recalled that *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2018 contained details of a Collaborative Search and Examination (CS&E) pilot, whereby the IP5 Offices¹, upon the applicant’s specific request to participate, all contribute towards the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority (ISA) for a particular international application. Over the course of its operational phase, the International Authorities accepted around 460 applications into the pilot. The applications were filed in English, Chinese, French, German, Japanese and Korean and covered a wide range of technical fields and special cases, such as sequence listings and lack of unity of invention.

The operational phase of the CS&E pilot concluded on 30 June 2020, therefore as of 1 July 2020, the pilot is now closed to new applications. The applications accepted in the pilot will be followed through their national phase processing and the effects of the process will be evaluated.

¹ The China National Intellectual Property Administration, the European Patent Office, the Japan Patent Office, the Korean Intellectual Property Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents

It is recalled that, by using the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS), a PCT applicant can request the International Bureau (IB) to retrieve a copy of an earlier application from DAS for use as a priority document, instead of providing or arranging for the provision of a certified copy. Note that, in order to be able to make use of the DAS service, the national/regional office with which the earlier application was filed must be a DAS depositing Office, and not necessarily the receiving Office with which the international application is filed.

Austrian Patent Office

The Austrian Patent Office has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 October 2020, it will commence operation as both a depositing and an accessing Office of DAS. As a depositing Office it will deposit certified copies of patent, utility model, industrial design and trademark applications as priority documents, including PCT applications filed with it on or after 1 October 2020. As an accessing Office, it will recognize priority documents available to it through the service for the purposes of any application for which the time limit for furnishing the priority document has not expired by 1 October 2020.

The corresponding DAS Notification, which contains further information, is available at:

www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/details.jsp?id=11496

European Union Intellectual Property Office

As from 11 July 2020, the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) will start operating as a DAS depositing Office for industrial designs. It will deposit certified copies of industrial design applications as priority documents, filed at the EUIPO as from 11 July 2020, which the applicant specifically requests be made available to the service.

The corresponding DAS Notification, which contains further information, is available at:

www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/details.jsp?id=11470

A list of the DAS participating Offices is available at:

www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices.html

Exceptional Non-working Days Due to COVID-19 Pandemic

Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines

The Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it was closed for the purposes of the transaction of official business from 20 to 24 July 2020 and will be closed from 6 to 18 August 2020 due to circumstances relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mexican Institute of Industrial Property

Further to the information published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 11 June 2020 (page 111) (www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf) concerning the closure of the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property due to circumstances relating to the COVID-19

pandemic, the Office has notified the IB that it reopened to the public on 13 July 2020 for the purposes of the transaction of official business.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the IB by the Offices, is available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/dc/closeddates/

More detailed information is also available in the corresponding section of the COVID-19 IP Policy Tracker at:

www.wipo.int/covid19-policy-tracker/

PCT Information Update

Various fee changes (Australian Patent Office, Hungarian Intellectual Property Office, Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand, Japan Patent Office, Norwegian Industrial Property Office)

As from the dates indicated in parentheses, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable to the following Offices as receiving Offices in the currencies shown, as well as changes in the equivalent amounts in those currencies of the applicable filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

Australian Patent Office (1 September 2020)	AUD
Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) (1 September 2020)	HUF
Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) (1 October 2020)	NZD
Japan Patent Office (1 October 2020)	JPY
Norwegian Industrial Property Office (1 September 2020)	NOK

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (AU, HU, JP, NO, NZ))

AP African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) (electronic filing)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 October 2020, by the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) as receiving Office, of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, as well as information on the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees that will be applicable, please refer to "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

AT Austrian Patent Office (location and mailing address; fax number)

The location and mailing address of the Austrian Patent Office has changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address: Dresden Straße 87
A-1200 Wien
Austria

The Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect from 1 January 2020, it has discontinued the use of its facsimile machine and no longer accepts the filing of documents by fax.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (AT))

BY Belarus (means of telecommunication; number of copies required; fees)

The National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) has informed the IB of changes concerning the filing of documents by fax – the original of the document must now be furnished within one month from the date of the transmission, instead of within 14 days.

Furthermore, the Office in its capacity as receiving Office has notified the IB that it now requires two copies of the international application on paper, instead of three.

The amounts of the following fees, payable² to the Office as receiving Office, have changed:

Transmittal fee:.....	BYN	94.50
Fee for priority document: ³		
for each copy of priority document up to 35 pages.....	BYN	36.00
plus, for each page of one copy in excess of 35 pages...	BYN	0.60
Fee for restoration of the right of priority:.....	BYN	81.00

There has also been a change in the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

For patent:

Filing fee:	BYN	94.50
- Claim fee for each independent claim in excess of one:	BYN	40.50
Examination fee:	BYN	459.00
- Claim examination fee for each independent claim in excess of one:	BYN	270.00
- Claim examination fee for each dependent claim in excess of ten:.....	BYN	40.50
Annual fee for the third year:	BYN	94.50

² For residents of Belarus, the payment of fees shall be effected in Belarusian rouble in accordance with the rate of the base value. For non-residents of Belarus the payment of fees shall be effected in US dollar, euro, Swiss franc or Russian rouble, unless otherwise provided for by international agreements with the Republic of Belarus, in accordance with the rate of the base value and the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Republic of Belarus applicable on the date of payment.

³ For further details please refer to the "Patent Information Services, Price List" (page 6, items 1.1 and 1.3) at www.ncip.by/en/uslugi-i-informaciya/patentno-informacionnye-uslugi/

For utility model:

Filing fee:	BYN	189.00
- Claim fee for each independent claim in excess of one:	BYN	94.50
- Claim examination fee for each dependent claim in excess of ten:.....	BYN	40.50

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 and C (BY) and National Chapter, Summary (BY))

IN India (institutions with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made)

The following depositary institution acquired the status of International Depositary Authority (IDA) under the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made, with effect from 28 July 2020:

National Agriculturally Important Microbial Culture Collection (NAIMCC)
ICAR-National Bureau of Agriculturally Important Microorganisms
Kushmaur
Maunath Bhanjan PIN 275 103
Uttar Pradesh
India

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex L)

IT Italy (types of protection; time when the name and address of the inventor must be provided; provisional protection after international publication; who can act as agent; criterion applied in respect of requests for restoration of the right of priority; fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority; requirements for deposits of microorganisms and other biological material; summary of requirements for entry into the national phase)

The Italian Patent and Trademark Office has notified the IB of the types of national protection available via the PCT where Italy is designated (or elected) – for international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020, protection by patent and utility model is available (utility models may be sought instead of national patents).

The Office has also notified the IB of the time when the name and address of the inventor must be provided if Italy is designated (or elected): they may be in the request or may be furnished later. If the data 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 fixed in the invitation.

Please refer to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (IT) for information on provisional protection after international publication, at:

www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/annexes/annexb1/ax_b_it.pdf

The Office in its capacity as receiving Office has notified the IB of changes concerning its requirements as to who can act as agent before it, which are now as follows:

- Any patent attorney recorded in the official register established by the Board of the Industrial Property Consultants Institute (the list of patent attorneys can be obtained from the *Ordine dei Consulenti in Proprietà Industriale* (Board of the Industrial Property Consultants Institute) (at: www.ordine-brevetti.it).
- Citizens of the European Union qualified to practice as patent attorney in another member State, on a temporary basis, pursuant to the procedure under the legislative Decree No. 206/2007.
- Any Italian lawyer or attorney-at-law whose name appears in the respective professional roll or any law firm employing such a lawyer or attorney-at-law (for further details, please refer to: www.consiglionazionaleforense.it).

Furthermore, the Office has notified the IB that, in its capacity as receiving Office and designated (or elected) Office, and for international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020, it applies only the “due care” criterion in respect of requests for restoration of the right of priority. Furthermore, with effect from the same date, a stamp fee (*imposta di bollo*) is payable for making such requests. This fee is EUR 15 when filing online and EUR 16 when filing on paper.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex B1 (IT) and Annex C (IT))

Information on the requirements of the Italian Patent and Trademark Office as designated (or elected) Office regarding deposits of microorganisms and other biological material, as well as a summary of its requirements for entry into the national phase, has been published in the *PCT Applicant’s Guide* at, respectively:

www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol2/annexes/it.pdf and

www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/annexes/annexl/anx_l.pdf

KR Republic of Korea (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities – corrigendum)

Please note that in *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2020, page 5, the Japan Patent Office (JPO) was inadvertently omitted from the list of competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities for international applications filed with the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO), or with the International Bureau (IB), as receiving Office.

LA Lao People’s Democratic Republic (telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses; competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The telephone number and the e-mail addresses of the Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Science and Technology (Lao People’s Democratic Republic) have changed, and the Office has notified its Internet address. The telephone number and the e-mail and Internet addresses to be used are as follows:

Telephone: (856-21) 213 470 ext. 154

E-mail: dip.laopdr@gmail.com
kkeobounphanh@yahoo.co.uk
saybandith30@gmail.com

Internet: <http://dip.gov.la/>

Furthermore, the Office has specified, with effect from 7 July 2020, the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, in addition to the China National Intellectual Property Administration, the European Patent Office, the Japan Patent Office and the Korean Intellectual Property Office as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of the Lao People's Democratic Republic with the IB as receiving Office.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (LA) and Annex C (IB))

PT Portugal (fees)

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 July 2020:

Transmittal fee:

– where the international application is filed online	EUR	10.79
– where the international application is filed on paper	EUR	21.58
Fee for priority document:	EUR	43.14
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:		
– where the request is filed online	EUR	161.79
– where the request is filed on paper	EUR	323.58

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (PT))

RS Serbia (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) has specified, with effect from 1 September 2020, the Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI), in addition to the European Patent Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Serbia with the Intellectual Property Office (Serbia), or with the IB, as receiving Office.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (RS))

RU Russian Federation (Internet address)

There has been a change to one of the Internet addresses of the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation). The Internet addresses to be used are now as follows:

Internet: www.rospatent.gov.ru
 www1.fips.ru

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (RU))

UG Uganda (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB) has specified, with effect from 7 July 2020, the Austrian Patent Office, in addition to the European Patent Office and the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, as competent International Searching and International

Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Uganda with the URSB or with the IB, as receiving Office.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (UG))

ZM Patents and Companies Registration Agency (PACRA) (Zambia) (electronic filing)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 October 2020, by the Patents and Companies Registration Agency (PACRA) (Zambia) as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, as well as information on the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees that will be applicable, please refer to “Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications”, above.

Search fee and fees relating to the international search (Australian Patent Office, Canadian Intellectual Property Office, European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines, Japan Patent Office, National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile), Nordic Patent Institute, Swedish Intellectual Property Office, United States Patent and Trademark Office)

As from 1 September 2020, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office	CHF, EUR, SGD, USD
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)	USD
United States Patent and Trademark Office	NZD, ZAR

As from 1 October 2020, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Canadian Intellectual Property Office	EUR
European Patent Office	NOK
Japan Patent Office	CHF
Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines	CHF
National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile)	CHF
Nordic Patent Institute	NOK
Swedish Intellectual Property Office	NOK
United States Patent and Trademark Office	CHF

The above-mentioned amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AU, CA, CL, EP, JP, PH, RU, SE, US and XN))

Handling fee (Australian Patent Office, Japan Patent Office)

There will be changes in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee, payable in AUD to the Australian Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) as from 1 September 2020, and in JPY to the Japan Patent Office as from 1 October 2020. The new amounts will be AUD 307 and JPY 22,900, respectively.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex E (AU and JP))

Eligibility for Reductions in Certain PCT Fees

The lists of States discussed below, the nationals and/or residents of which are eligible for certain PCT fee reductions, have been updated with effect from 1 July 2020 and are available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/index.html

Applicability of 75% reduction in certain fees at the European Patent Office

The following changes have been made to the list of States, the nationals and/or residents of which are eligible for a 75% reduction in certain fees payable to the European Patent Office (that is, States classified as low income and lower middle income economies by the World Bank and States in which a validation agreement with the European Patent Organisation is in force⁴).

The following State has been deleted from the list:

- Indonesia

and the following States have been added to the list:

- Algeria
- Sri Lanka

Applicability of 75% reduction in international search and preliminary examination fees at the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office:

Mauritius and Nauru (which are not PCT Contracting States⁵) have been deleted from the list of States the nationals and/or residents of which are eligible for a 75% reduction in the international search and preliminary examination fees payable to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office (that is, the States classified as low income, lower middle income and upper middle income economies by the World Bank which are not party to the European Patent Convention), as they are now classified as a high income economy.

⁴ It is recalled that, with effect from 1 April 2020, the 75% fee reduction also applies if the international application, the request for supplementary international search or the demand for international preliminary examination is filed by a natural or legal person who is a national of and resident in a state in which a validation agreement with the EPO is in force (please refer to the decision of the Administrative Council CA/D 13/19, dated 12 December 2019 (www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2020/01/a4.html)). The four validation States concerned (Cambodia, Morocco, the Republic of Moldova and Tunisia) were already in the States listed as low-income and lower-middle-income economies by the World Bank last year.

⁵ It is recalled that, in order to file an international application, at least one applicant must be a national of, or a resident in, a PCT Contracting State (PCT Article 9(1)). Applicants from non-PCT Contracting States must therefore file a PCT application together with an applicant who is a national of and/or resides in a PCT Contracting State, and they may only benefit from a fee reduction if both (or all) applicants are entitled to the reduction.

New/Updated PCT Resources

PCT Applicant's Guide

The English version of the “Introduction to the National Phase” of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, which contains detailed information on the national phase of the PCT, has been updated to take into account the 1 July 2020 amendments to the PCT Regulations. It is available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol2/pdf/gdvol2.pdf

It is recalled that the “Introduction to the International Phase” was also updated with effect from 1 July 2020 (as mentioned in *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2020).

PCT frequently asked questions (FAQs)

The publication “Protecting your Inventions Abroad: FAQs about the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)”, dated April 2020, has been updated in all 10 publication languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish) to reflect some recent changes to the PCT system. It is available at, respectively:

www.wipo.int/pct/ar/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/zh/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/en/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/fr/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/de/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/ja/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/ko/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/pt/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/ru/docs/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

www.wipo.int/pct/es/basic_facts/faqs_about_the_pct.pdf

Webinar on the Amendments to the PCT Regulations

The recording of a webinar entitled “PCT – July 2020 Rule Changes” is now available in Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish, in addition to English. The webinar provides an overview of the upcoming changes and an explanation of why these may be important to PCT users.

The webinars and the PowerPoint presentations used during the webinars in languages other than Portuguese are available at:

www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=56968

The webinar and PowerPoint presentation in Portuguese are available at:

www.wipo.int/pct/pt/seminar/webinars/index.html

Registration is required to access the recordings.

PCT Working Group meeting documents

Documents which have been prepared for the upcoming thirteenth session of the PCT Working Group, to be held in Geneva from 5 to 8 October 2020, are available at:

www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=55850

50th Anniversary of the Diplomatic Conference on the Patent Cooperation Treaty

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2020 relating to the 50th anniversary of the Diplomatic Conference on the PCT, a video interview with a delegate who participated in the 1970 conference (Mr. Kiyoshi Asamura) is now available at:

www.wipo.int/multimedia-video/en/pct/video/asamura.mp4

Practical Advice

The furnishing of a correct element of an international application where the originally filed element was filed erroneously

Q: I filed an international application, claiming the priority of an earlier application filed on 16 July 2019, with the Intellectual Property Office⁶ (United Kingdom) as receiving Office (RO/GB) on 14 July 2020 (that is, two days before the expiration of the 12-month priority period). A week later, I realized that I had erroneously submitted the claims from a different application, together with the correct abstract, description and drawings. I would like to know whether I can replace the incorrect claims with the correct claims in the application in question, without being accorded a later international filing date and losing my right to claim priority of the earlier application. Please could you confirm whether this is possible, and if so, what do I need to do? Also, will the original (wrong) claims be made available to the public?

A: Note that, where an applicant claims priority of an earlier application and notices that he/she has filed the wrong set of claims (or description or drawings) before the expiration of the 12-month priority period, one option is to simply refile the international application with the correct claims immediately, and withdraw the original application. Alternatively, in accordance with new PCT Rule 20.5bis(b) and (c), for all international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020, it is possible to request the receiving Office to exchange the claims with the correct ones. However, if the correct claims are received by the receiving Office on a later date, the international filing date would be changed to the date of receipt of the correct claims by the receiving Office. Since you only noticed the mistake after the expiration of the 12-month priority period, if you took either of the above actions, you would no longer be able to validly claim priority of the earlier application (without attempting to request restoration of the right of priority). In the first option, the date of receipt of the newly filed international application would fall outside the priority period, and in the second option, the date of receipt of the correct set of claims would become the international filing date, which would also fall outside the priority period.

If it is important to retain the originally accorded international filing date, new PCT Rule 20.5bis(d) enables you to request confirmation of incorporation by reference of elements and parts in the case of an erroneously filed element or part (as opposed to PCT Rule 20.5, which covers the case of furnishing of a *missing* part of the application), where that element or

⁶ Intellectual Property Office is an operating name of the Patent Office.

part was completely contained in the earlier application concerned. This means that if the “correct claims” were in fact completely contained in the priority application, you will be able to add the correct set of claims to your application, provided that you submit to RO/GB, within the applicable time limit under PCT Rule 20.7 (that is, two months from the date on which one or more elements referred to in PCT Article 11(1)(iii) were first received by the receiving Office⁷), a written notice confirming that the new (correct) set of claims is incorporated by reference in the international application under PCT Rule 4.18. In accordance with PCT Rule 20.6, that notice should be accompanied by the following⁸:

- a sheet or sheets embodying the entire element as contained in the earlier application, the priority of which is being claimed, and
- if you have not yet furnished the priority document, a copy of the earlier application as filed.

Provided that the receiving Office determines that the correct set of claims is completely contained in the earlier application, those claims will, in accordance with PCT Rule 20.6(b), be considered to have been contained in the international application on the date on which one or more elements referred to in PCT Article 11(1)(iii) were first received by the receiving Office. Therefore, the original international filing date will be retained.

In accordance with PCT Rule 40*bis*.1, the International Searching Authority (ISA) may invite the applicant to pay additional fees where a missing part or a correct element or part is furnished later under PCT Rules 20.5(c), 20.5*bis*(c), 20.5(d) or 20.5*bis*(d), and the ISA has been notified that it has been included in the international application or that it is considered to have been contained in the international application on the date on which one or more elements referred to in PCT Article 11(1)(iii) were first received by the receiving Office, as the case may be, only after the ISA has begun to draw up the international search report (ISR). Please note that the European Patent Office (EPO), which is the competent ISA for international applications filed with RO/GB, charges such an additional fee in respect of erroneously filed elements. Therefore, in your case, where all the claims were erroneously filed, if the EPO as ISA has already begun to draw up the ISR in respect of the original, erroneously filed claims by the time it has been notified that the correct claims have been incorporated by reference, you might be requested to pay that additional fee (please refer to the decision of the EPO’s Administrative Council of 27 March 2020 (*OJ EPO* 2020, A36) (www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2020/04/a36/2020-a36.pdf)).

In the situation where the correct set of claims has been incorporated by reference under PCT Rule 20.6(b), the erroneously filed set of claims will remain in the application (PCT Rule 20.5*bis*(d)). The receiving Office will mark those erroneously filed sheets as “ERRONEOUSLY FILED (RULE 20.5*bis*)”, move those sheets to the end of the claims (without repagination), and will transmit them to the International Bureau (IB). The IB will publish those sheets on PATENTSCOPE as part of the international application. This contrasts with the situation under PCT Rule 20.5*bis*(c), where the applicant requests the receiving Office to simply replace the erroneously filed element with the correct one (without requesting incorporation by reference), in which case the correct element will replace the erroneously filed element, which

⁷ Or, if you have received an invitation under PCT Rule 20.5*bis*(a) from the receiving Office, the time limit is two months from the date of that invitation.

⁸ If the earlier application is not in the language in which the international application was filed, or where a translation of the international application is required, please refer to PCT Rule 20.6(a)(iii).

will then be removed from the application and thus will not be published as part of the international application or made available on PATENTSCOPE⁹.

Please note that some Offices, in their capacities as receiving Office and/or designated (or elected) Office, have notified the IB under PCT Rule 20.8(a-*bis*) and (b-*bis*), respectively, that new Rules 20.5*bis*(a)(ii) and (d) are not compatible with their applicable national law (for those Offices which have submitted to the IB a notice of incompatibility under PCT Rule 20.8(a) or (b), it is deemed that the notice of incompatibility also applies to PCT Rule 20.8(a-*bis*) or (b-*bis*), respectively). This means that not all receiving Offices would allow you to confirm incorporation by reference of an erroneously filed element, and not all designated Offices will take into account any decision made by a receiving Office to accept incorporation by reference of an erroneously filed element. The list of Offices which have made such a notification of incompatibility can be found at:

www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

In the case where an applicant has filed an international application with a receiving Office that has made such a notification under PCT Rule 20.8(a-*bis*), the applicant may request the receiving Office to transmit the international application under PCT Rule 19.4(a)(iii) to the IB as receiving Office, which does accept the incorporation by reference of correct elements or parts where erroneously filed elements or parts have been filed. Note also that if a particular designated Office has made such a reservation, this does not mean that that Office will not accept the corrected set of claims as you could still proceed with those claims before it, provided that you were prepared to accept the consequences of a later international filing date. In that case, you could still consider whether it would be worthwhile requesting restoration of the right of priority before that designated Office.

For further information on incorporation by reference, please refer to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Introduction to the International Phase, paragraphs 6.024 to 6.031 (www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/pdf/gdvol1.pdf)

⁹ It is recalled that if a request under PCT Rule 20.5*bis*(c) is made after the date on which all of the requirements of PCT Article 11(1) were fulfilled, the international filing date would be changed to the date on which that correct element is received by the receiving Office.

PCT Seminar Calendar (www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf) (situation on 6 August 2020)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
9 September 2020 Lisbon (PT)	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI course WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Luis Ferreira) E-mail: luis.ferreira@patents.pt
15-16 September 2020 Lille (FR)	French	Basic PCT seminar: "Les procédures de la demande internationale de brevet (PCT) – initiation" WIPO speaker: to be announced	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) E-mail: academie@inpi.fr
24-25 September 2020 Online seminar <i>[cancelled]</i>	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the 19 th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk
28 September 2020 Zurich (CH)	German	Seminar on the latest developments concerning the PCT (CEIPI Course) WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Lea Pessina) Tel: (41-44) 387 53 55 Fax: (41-44) 387 53 54 E-mail: lea.pessina@sbmp.ch
29-30 September 2020 Stockholm (SE)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Mohri	IP-Akademin, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Ms. Rut Herbjørnsen) Tel: (46-708) 808 342 E-mail: info@ipakademin.se Internet: www.ipakademin.se
30 September 2020 Online seminar	English	Formalities update presentation WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys (CIPA) E-mail: CPD@cipa.org.uk
7 October 2020 Online presentation	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the 30 th K&W Annual European IP Seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park Other speakers from Kuhnen & Wacker	Kuhnen & Wacker IP Law Firm PartG mbB (Ms. Ingrid Jahr) E-mail: Ingrid.jahr@kuhnen-wacker.com
16 October 2020 Online presentation	English	Presentation on the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park Other speakers: to be announced	The UIC John Marshall Law School Center for Intellectual Property, Information and Privacy Law E-mail: daryllim@uic.edu
19-20 November 2020 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT Formalities Seminar including practical presentations on ePCT WIPO speaker: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk
27 November 2020 Bad Nauheim (DE)	German	PCT presentation on latest developments in the PCT within the framework of the 10th PAFA-Tagung conference 25-27 November 2020 WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	IP for IP Intellectual Property for Intellectual People GmbH (Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
8 April 2021 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96

PCT Webinars

(www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html)
(www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
25 August 2020 17:30-18:30 CET 27 August 2020 8:30-9:30 CET	English	Overview of PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/915962862199149840

Other IP events

International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 10-14 March 2021

[previously indicated as 16-20 September 2020]

The 48th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place from 10 to 14 March 2021.

Further information is available at:

www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/

International Trade Fair for Ideas – Inventions – New Products (iENA), Nuremberg (Germany), 29 October-1 November 2020

The international trade fair for “Ideas – Inventions – New Products” will take place in Nuremberg from 29 October to 1 November 2020. Further information is available at:

www.iena.de/en/

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 August 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The international filing fee may be reduced by CHF 100, 200 or 300 where the international application, or part of the international application, is filed in electronic form, as prescribed under Item 4(a), (b) and (c) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 5.189. A 90% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30), the supplementary search handling fee and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States—see footnotes 2 and 12. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

eq	equivalent of –	BHD	Bahraini dinar	GBP	Pound sterling	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
IA	international application	BND	Brunei dollar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	GTQ	Quetzal	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYN	Belarusian rouble	HRK	Croatian kuna	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISR	international search report	BZD	Belize dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CAD	Canadian dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish Lira
		CHF	Swiss franc	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	INR	Indian rupee	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	IRR	Iranian rial	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		COP	Colombian peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	PGK	Kina	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PHP	Philippine peso	VND	Vietnamese dong
		CZK	Czech koruna	JPY	Japanese yen	PLN	Polish zloty	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	QAR	Qatari riyal	XCD	East Caribbean Dollar
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	Won (KP)	RON	New leu	ZAR	South African rand
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	Won (KR)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RUB	Russian rouble		
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BGN	Bulgarian lev								

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 August 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1, 2} (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3} (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵ (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) ⁶ (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 52	EUR 1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
AU	AUD 200	AUD 2,150 (from 1.9.20: 2,043)	24 (23)	– (–)	323 (307)	485 (461)	AU KR
AZ	AZN 30	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	EP RU
BA	BAM 50	EUR 1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN 80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP RU
BH	BHD 70	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND 150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL ⁸ online: 175 on paper: 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD 32	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYN 94.50	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD 300	CAD 1,961	22	–	295	442	CA
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ⁹ 130	CLP eq USD ⁹ 1,337	eq USD ⁹ 15	–	eq USD 201	eq USD 302	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN
CO	COP online: 400,000 on paper: 480,000	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 212 on paper: 289	USD 1,337	15	–	201	302	CL EP ES

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]

(amounts on 1 August 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

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						Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,337	15	–	201	302	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CY	EUR	191	EUR	1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP XV
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
DJ	USD	100	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	AT EG EP
	or eq DJF								
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	9,090	100	–	1,370	2,050	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available								
DO	USD	316	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	EP RU
EC	USD	300	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	CL EP ES
EE	EUR	120	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR	135	EUR	1,217	14	92	183	275	EP
ES	EUR	74.25	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	62	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP	1,085	12	–	163	245	EP
GD	Information not yet available								
GE	USD ¹⁰	100	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS ¹¹	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	AT BR CL EP ES US
HN	USD	200	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF	11,800	HUF	458,300 (from 1.9.20: 432,700)	5,200 (4,900)	– (–)	68,900 (65,100)	103,400 (97,600)	EP XV
IB	CHF ¹²	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	200	300	See footnote 13
	or EUR ¹²	92	or EUR	1,217	14	92	183	275	
	or USD ¹²	101	or USD	1,337	15	101	201	302	
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR	76	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
IL	ILS	559	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	EP IL US
IN	INR	17,600 (paper filing) ¹⁴	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	AT AU CN EP IN SE US
	No fee for e-filings								
IR	IRR	50,000 (natural persons)	IRR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
	IRR	500,000 (legal persons)							
IS	ISK	17,800	ISK	195,100	2,200	–	29,300	44,000	EP SE XN
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
JO	JOD	100	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY	10,000 ¹⁵	JPY	143,200 (from 1.10.20: 152,100)	1,600 (1,700)	– (–)	– (–)	32,300 (34,300)	EP JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing		USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS	4,000 ¹⁶	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
KH	USD	100	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD	50	XCD eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF	50	KPW eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW	45,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP ¹⁷ KR SG
KZ	KZT	10,264.80	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD	45	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL	– ¹⁸	LSL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2}		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
						Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
LT	EUR	92	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP RU XV
LU	EUR	19	EUR	1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR	70	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP RU
LY	LYD	– ¹⁸	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD	None	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR	100	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	EP RU
ME	EUR	15	EUR	1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
MK	MKD	2,700	MKD eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
MN		None	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR	55	EUR	1,217	14	–	–	–	EP
MW	MWK	6,000	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD	323.70 ¹⁹	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	AT CLEPESKRSESG US
MY	MYR	500 (e-filing) ²⁰ 550 (paper filing) ²⁰	MYR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD	200	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	EP ES
NL	EUR	50	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
NO	NOK	800	NOK	14,420 (from 1.9.20: 13,450)	160 (150)	– (–)	2,170 (2,020)	3,250 (3,030)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD	207	NZD	2,288 (from 1.10.20: 2,162)	26 (24)	– (–)	344 (325)	516 (488)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF	– ¹⁸	XAF eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR	40	OMR eq USD	1,337	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 201	eq USD 302	AT AUEGEPUS
PA	USD	240	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN	233.35	PEN eq USD	1,337	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 201	eq USD 302	AT BR CLEPESKRUS
PG	PGK	250	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP	4,200	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN	300	PLN eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR	10.79 (online filing) EUR 21.58 (paper filing)	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
QA	QAR	400	QAR eq USD	1,337	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 201	eq USD 302	EG EP US
RO	RON	475	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP RU
RS	RSD	7,700 ²¹	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP (from 1.9.20 : XV)
RU	RUB	1,700	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available								
SA	USD	100	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	CA EG EP KR RU
SC	USD	– ¹⁸	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG	50	SDG eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EG EP
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK	13,240	150	–	1,990	2,990	EP SE XN
SG	SGD	150	SGD	1,974	22	–	297	445	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR	91	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP
SK	EUR	66 ²²	EUR	1,217	14	–	183	275	EP XV
SV		None ²³	USD	1,337	15	–	201	302	CL EP ES
SY	USD	– ¹⁸	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS	– ¹⁸	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD	– ¹⁸	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND	100	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
TR		None	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,337	15	–	–	–	AT CL EP SE US

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]

(amounts on 1 August 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) ²⁴ 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU UA
UG	UGX –	UGX eq USD 1,337	eq USD 15	–	201	302	AT EP SG
US	USD 240 ²⁵ small entity ²⁶ : 120 ²⁵ micro entity ²⁶ : 60 ²⁵	USD 1,337	15	101	201	–	AU EP IL JP KR RU SG US
UZ	UZS 306,830 ²⁷	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	Information not yet available						
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 24,090	270	–	3,620	5,430	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,337	15	–	–	–	AT SE
					(from 1.10.20: 201)	(from 1.10.20: 302)	
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,337	eq USD 15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 August 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT ²⁸	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,939	KRW 2,334,000	SGD 2,693	USD 1,950	ZAR 35,130		
AU	AUD 2,200 USD* 1,341 *(from 1.9.20: –)	CHF* 1,361 ZAR 26,420 CHF 1,432	EUR* 1,241 EUR 1,337	KRW 1,757,000 SGD 2,102	NZD 2,357 USD 1,507)	SGD* 1,920		
BR ⁸	Online: On paper:	BRL 1,685 BRL 2,525	CHF 286 CHF 429	EUR 271 EUR 406	USD 322 USD 483			
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,085	EUR* 1,095	USD 1,132	*(from 1.10.20: –)	EUR 1,016)		
CL	USD 2,000 *(from 1.10.20: –)	CHF* 1,989 CHF 1,839)	EUR 1,820					
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : *(from 1.10.20: –)	CHF 368)	USD 400	CHF* 398	EUR 364			
	In case of filing by a university ²⁹ : *(from 1.10.20: –)	CHF 276)	USD 300	CHF* 298	EUR 273			
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 292	EUR 267	USD 294				
EG ³⁰	EGP 4,000	CHF 244	EUR 223	USD 245				
EP ³¹	EUR 1,775 JPY 208,800 ZAR 35,130	CHF 1,939 NOK* 20,010 *(from 1.10.20: –)	DKK 13,260 NZD 3,099 NOK 19,010)	GBP 1,560 SEK 19,300	HUF 626,100 SGD 2,693	ISK 276,000 USD 1,950		
ES ³¹	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,939	USD 1,950					
FI	EUR 1,775	CHF 1,939	USD 1,950					
IL	ILS 3,582	CHF 1,009	EUR 932	USD 1,036				
IN	INR 10,000 In case of filing by an individual: INR 2,500	CHF 128 CHF 32	EUR 120 EUR 30	USD 131 USD 33				
JP ³²	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 70,000 *(from 1.10.20: –)	CHF* 650 CHF 612)	EUR 595	KRW 783,000	USD 654			
	For IAs in English: JPY 156,000 *(from 1.10.20: –)	CHF* 1,449 CHF 1,364)	EUR 1,326	SGD 2,012	USD 1,457			
KR ³³	For IAs in Korean: SGD 519	KRW 450,000 USD 376	AUD 564	CHF 353	EUR 342	NZD 598		
	For IAs in English: SGD 1,385	KRW 1,200,000 USD 1,003	AUD 1,503	CHF 941	EUR 913	NZD 1,594		

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Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]
(amounts on 1 August 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
PH	USD	1,000	CHF*	994	EUR	910	*(from 1.10.20: CHF 920)					
	Small entity or government ³⁴ :		USD	400	CHF*	398	EUR	364				
		*(from 1.10.20: CHF 368)										
RU	For IAs in Russian:				EUR	105	USD*	113	*(from 1.9.20: USD 123)			
	RUB	8,500	CHF	118								
For IAs in English:				EUR	495	USD*	532	*(from 1.9.20: USD 578)				
RUB	40,000	CHF	554									
SE	SEK	19,300	CHF	1,939	DKK	13,260	EUR	1,775	ISK	276,000	NOK*	20,010
	USD	1,950	*(from 1.10.20: NOK 19,010)									
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,509	EUR	1,476	JPY	173,600	KRW	1,955,000	USD	1,622
TR	TRY	11,300	CHF	1,939	EUR	1,775	USD	1,950				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:				EUR	100	CHF	109	USD	110		
	For IAs in English, French or German:				EUR	300	CHF	328	USD	330		
US	USD	2,080	CHF**	2,068	EUR	1,893	NZD*	3,496	ZAR*	38,860		
	*(from 1.9.20: NZD 3,246)											
	**(from 1.10.20: CHF 1,913)											
	For small entity ²⁶ :				CHF**	1,034	EUR	947	NZD*	1,748	ZAR*	19,430
	*(from 1.9.20: NZD 1,623)											
	**(from 1.10.20: CHF 945)											
For micro entity ²⁶ :				CHF**	517	EUR	473	NZD*	874	ZAR*	9,710	
*(from 1.9.20: NZD 811)												
**(from 1.10.20: CHF 478)												
XN	DKK	13,260	CHF	1,939	EUR	1,775	ISK	276,000	NOK*	20,010	SEK	19,300
	USD	1,950	*(from 1.10.20: NOK 19,010)									
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,939	HUF	626,100	USD	1,950				

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 August 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 35}
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 929
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,300
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 1,857
EP	CHF 1,939 ³¹	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,939	CHF 200
RU	CHF 163	CHF 200
	CHF 261 ³⁶	
SE	CHF 1,939	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,509	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,939
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 86
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 98
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation:	CHF 98
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation:	CHF 76
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv):	CHF 66
XN	– for a full search:	CHF 1,939
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish:	CHF 585
XV	– for a full search:	CHF 1,939
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak:	CHF 601

Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 August 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³⁷		Handling fee ^{2,37} (CHF 200)	
AT	EUR	1,749 ²⁸	EUR	183
AU	AUD	590 820 ³⁸	AUD	323 (from 1.9.20: 307)
BR	Online: BRL	630 ⁸	BRL eq CHF	200
	On paper: BRL	945 ⁸		
CA	CAD	800	CAD	295
CL	USD	1,500	USD	201
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD 400			
	in case of filing by a university ²⁹ : USD 300			
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EG	EGP	3,000	USD	201
EP	EUR	1,830 ³¹	EUR	183
ES	EUR	583.65 ³¹	EUR	183
FI	EUR	600	EUR	183
IL	ILS	1,535	ILS	743
IN	if ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500		USD	201
	if ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000			
JP ³²	For IAs in Japanese: JPY	26,000	JPY	21,500 (from 1.10.20: 22,900)
	For IAs in English: JPY	58,000		
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	255,000
PH	USD	500	USD	201
	Small entity or government ³⁴	USD 200		
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB	4,500 ³⁹ 6,750 ⁴⁰	USD	201
	For IAs in English: RUB	16,000 ³⁹ 24,000 ⁴⁰		
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,990
SG	SGD	830	SGD	297
TR	TRY	1,000	CHF	200
UA	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 50		EUR	183
	If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 70			
US	USD	600 760 ⁴¹	USD	201
	For small entity ²⁶ :	USD 300 380 ⁴¹		
	For micro entity ²⁶ :	USD 150 190 ⁴¹		
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,370
XV	EUR	900	EUR	183

[See over page for footnotes to fee tables]

Footnotes to fee tables:

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 90% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT website at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees. Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 Where the IA contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should preferably be furnished in accordance with Annex C, paragraph 40, of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.25 text format; no additional fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. Where, however, such sequence listings are filed in the form of an image file (e.g. PDF), fees are due for each page (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2009, page 2 at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/2009/newslett_09.pdf).
- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 7 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 8 This fee is reduced by 60% where the IA is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 129/14 of 10 March 2014.
- 9 When calculating the USD equivalent amount in CLP, applicants should use the exchange rate fixed by the Central Bank of Chile on the day before the date of payment.
- 10 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 11 The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- 12 This fee is not payable in respect of IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees
- 13 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 14 For paper filings, the fee for a natural person and/or a startup is INR 3,500; the fee for a small entity, alone or with natural person(s) and/or a startup is INR 8,800.
- 15 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf
- 16 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 17 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese.
- 18 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 19 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 20 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 21 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 22 This fee is reduced by 50% if the IA is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 23 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% where all applicants are also non-profitable institutions and/or organizations. When the fee is payable with relation to an application made by both types of applicant, and all applicants are either also inventors, or non-profitable institutions and/or organizations, the fee is reduced by 80%.
- 25 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs filed other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities or micro entities: USD 200.
- 26 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, see 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf
- 27 Reductions may apply – for further details see the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 28 The fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in a State for which the Austrian Patent Office is an International Searching Authority (in the case of the search fee)/International Preliminary Examining Authority (in the case of the preliminary examination fee).
- 29 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, see: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees
- 30 The search fee payable to the Office is reduced by 25% where the applicant, or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person or a legal entity and is a national of and resides in a State which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of "low income", "lower middle income" or "upper middle income".
- 31 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, see the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html
- 32 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.
For further details see: https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf
- 33 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 34 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 35 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 36 This fee applies where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made by the International Searching Authority because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv) (methods of treatment).
- 37 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 38 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 39 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 40 In all cases where footnote 39 does not apply.
- 41 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

