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PATENT COOPERATION TREATY INTERIM COMMITTEE FOR TECHNICAL COOPERATION

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Geneva, November 3 to 8, 1976

REPORT ON THE SORTED COLLECTIONS OF PATENT DOCUMENTS OF
AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA AND CANADA UNDER PCT RULE 34.1(c) (vi)

prepared by the International Bureau

Background to this Document

1. At its fifth session, held in Geneva from October 29 to November 3, 1975, the PCT Interim Committee for Technical Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as "the Interim Committee") considered the offers of sorted collections of patent documents of Australia, Austria and Canada and decided that, before the conditions for the inclusion of these documents in the PCT minimum documentation under PCT Rule 34.1(c) (vi) could be fulfilled, lists or inventories of these documents were needed (see the report of the said fifth session, document PCT/TCO/V/20, paragraph 31). The International Bureau was entrusted with the following tasks:

- (i) obtaining the said inventories from the Patent Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada and circulating the corresponding information among the prospective International Searching Authorities (hereinafter referred to as the "prospective Authorities") in order to facilitate their decision as to whether, and to what extent, they needed the sorted sets;
- (ii) establishing the final list of the prospective Authorities which needed sorted sets of the above-mentioned documents, with an indication of the form in which the sorted sets were desired, and communicating the list to the Patent Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada with a request to place the sorted sets at the disposal of each of the prospective Authorities requesting them;
- (iii) reporting to the Interim Committee on whether and to what extent the conditions of Rule 34.1(c) (vi) have been fulfilled.

2. This document contains a report on the steps undertaken by the International Bureau in compliance with the decision of the Interim Committee and a study analyzing whether, and to what extent, the conditions of PCT Rule 34.1(c) (vi) have been fulfilled in respect of the sorted collections of the patent documents of Australia, Austria and Canada. The present document also contains a study of the question of the earliest publication date of the Australian accepted and lapsed specifications in the sorted collection, clarification of which the Interim Committee thought necessary (see the report of the fifth session of the Interim Committee, document PCT/TCO/V/20, paragraph 31, last sentence).

Steps Undertaken by the International Bureau

3. In compliance with the request mentioned in paragraph 1(i) above, the International Bureau invited the Patent Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada to supply inventories comprising the numbers of all patent documents included in their respective sorted collections. The letters addressed in this respect to the Patent Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada are reproduced in Annexes A, B and C, respectively. The replies received from the said Offices are reproduced in Annexes D, E and F, respectively. The inventories forwarded to the International Bureau by the three Offices, being significantly voluminous, are not reproduced in the present document. However, these inventories remain on file within the International Bureau and can be readily acquired by any Office wishing to have more detailed information.

4. Subsequently, the International Bureau, by its Circular No. 2453 dated April 2, 1976, communicated to the prospective Authorities the information obtained from the Patent Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada and invited the prospective Authorities to indicate whether they needed the sorted sets and, if so, in what form the sorted sets were desired. Circular No. 2453 and replies thereto are reproduced in Annexes G to O to the present document.

5. In response to the request mentioned in paragraph 1 (ii) above, the International Bureau communicated to the Patent Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada, by its Circular No. 2517 dated July 16, 1976, (Annex P) a list of the prospective Authorities, indicating those which needed sorted sets and, as far as indicated by the prospective Authorities, the form in which the sorted sets were desired. The Circular requested the said Offices to place the sorted sets at the disposal of each of the prospective Authorities requesting them.

Study Analyzing Whether and to What Extent the Conditions of PCT Rule 34.1(c) (vi) have been Fulfilled in Respect of the Sorted Collections of the Patent Documents of Australia, Austria and Canada

6. Under PCT Rule 34.1(c) (vi), the conditions for inclusion in the minimum documentation of the patents issued by, and patent applications published after 1920 in, any country other than those listed in PCT Rule 34.1(c) (i) to (v), and in which no priority is claimed, are the following:

- (i) the said patent documents must be in the English, French or German language;
- (ii) the said patent documents must be sorted out by the national Office of the interested country and placed at the disposal of each International Searching Authority.

7. The sorted collections offered by Australia, Austria and Canada would appear to meet the conditions listed in paragraph 6 once they have been placed at the disposal of the prospective Authorities in accordance with the request contained in Circular No. 2517.

Question of the Earliest Publication Date of Australian Accepted and Lapsed Specifications in the Sorted Collection

8. Clarification of the earliest publication date of the Australian accepted and lapsed specifications pertaining to the sorted collection has been provided in the reply by the Australian Patent Office to the request (see Annex A) addressed by the International Bureau, supplemented by a second letter from the Australian Patent Office (see Annex D).

9. According to the information supplied, the publication date of the Australian accepted and lapsed specifications considered as appropriate for determining the earliest publication date is identified on the patent documents by INID number 41. It should be noted that this date is, according to ICIREPAT standard ST9, the date of making available to the public by viewing, or copying on request, an unexamined document on which no grant has taken place on or before the said date. The Australian Patent Office has indicated, however, that this date also corresponds to the date of distribution of microfilm copies of the specification which are available for sale and should be considered as appropriate for determining the earliest publication date.

10. The determination of the earliest publication date of the Australian patent documents may therefore be effected on the basis of the publication date identified by INID number 41 on these patent documents. It follows that the two dates indicated in Annex G to the present document in connection with the earliest publication date of Australian accepted and lapsed specifications pertaining to the sorted collection, which are in fact the date of acceptance and the date of notification of lapse in the Official Gazette (at which stages the documents are published by printing or a similar process), are not appropriate for the purpose of determining the earliest date of publication of the accepted and lapsed specifications in the Australian sorted collection.

[Annexes follow]



WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION
ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE

Mr. K. B. Petersson, O.B.E., Commissioner of Patents,
Patent, Trademarks and Designs Offices, Canberra,
Australia - December 19, 1975

December 19, 1975

Dear Mr. Commissioner,

At the fifth session of the PCT Interim Committee for Technical Cooperation, held in Geneva from October 29 to November 3, 1975, the Interim Committee discussed the question of sorted collections of patent documents of Australia, Austria, and Canada under PCT Rule 34.1(c)(vi). It was felt, however, that before the conditions for inclusion of these documents in the PCT minimum documentation could be considered as fulfilled, inventories of the patent documents contained in the sorted collections should be prepared (see in this respect paragraphs 30 to 33 of document PCT/TCO/V/20 and document PCT/TCO/V/4 attached). In view of the tasks entrusted to the International Bureau in this question, I would appreciate it if you could communicate a list or inventory comprising the numbers of all patent documents included in the sorted collection prepared by the Australian Patent Office since July 2, 1970 (for lapsed specifications) and October 22, 1970 (for accepted specifications), and if you could reply to the following questions :

- (i) does your Office envisage to provide the same alternatives to prospective International Searching Authorities as offered by the Austrian Patent Office (choice of obtaining the sorted collection of Austrian patent documents either in hard copy form or in the form of 16 mm microfilm)?

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Mr. K. B. Petersson, O.B.E.
Commissioner of Patents
Patent, Trademarks and Designs Offices
Scarborough House, Phillip
P.O. Box 200
Woden, A.C.T. 2606
Canberra, Australia

- (ii) if yes, what would be the charge for a sorted collection of Australian patent documents in the form of 16 mm microfilm?
- (iii) is the sorted collection arranged in numerical order [which we presume is also the order of the date of publication]?
- (iv) what is the earliest publication date of the accepted and lapsed specifications in the sorted collection? Is it October 22, 1970 and July 2, 1970, respectively?

In order to allow the International Bureau to proceed with this matter as scheduled for 1976, I should be very much obliged if the reply of your Office could be received before February 28, 1976.

Yours sincerely,

F. Sviridov
Deputy Director General

PCT/TCO/VI/6
ANNEX/ANNEXE A

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[Annex B follows/L'annexe B suit]



WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION
ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE

December 19, 1975

Dear Dr. Leberl,

At the fifth session of the PCT Interim Committee for Technical Cooperation, held in Geneva from October 29 to November 3, 1975, the Interim Committee discussed the question of sorted collections of patent documents of Australia, Austria and Canada under PCT Rule 34.1(c)(vi). It was felt, however, that before the conditions for inclusion of these documents in the PCT minimum documentation could be considered as fulfilled, inventories of the patent documents contained in the sorted collections should be prepared (see in this respect paragraphs 30 to 33 of document PCT/TCO/V/20 and document PCT/TCO/V/4 attached). In view of the tasks entrusted to the International Bureau in this question, I would appreciate it if you could communicate a list or inventory comprising the numbers of all patent documents included in the sorted collection prepared by the Austrian Patent Office since July 26, 1971, and if you could reply to the following questions :

- (i) is the sorted collection (hard copy or 16 mm microfilm) arranged in numerical order [which we presume is also the order of the date of publication]?

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Dr. Otto Leberl
Präsident des Oesterreichischen
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Federal Ministry for Trade and Industry
Kohlmarkt 8-10
Postfach 95
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Austria

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Dr. Otto Leberl, Präsident des Oesterreichischen Patentamtes,
Federal Ministry for Trade and Industry, Vienna, Austria -
December 19, 1975

- (ii) what would be the charge for a sorted collection of Austrian patent documents in the form of 16 mm microfilm?

In order to allow the International Bureau to proceed with this matter as scheduled for 1976, I should be very much obliged if the reply of your Office could be received before February 28, 1976.

Sincerely yours,

F. Sviridov
Deputy Director General

PCT/TCO/VI/6
ANNEX/ANNEXE B

[Annex C follows/L'annexe C suit]



WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION
 ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE

December 19, 1975

Dear Mr. Commissioner,

At the fifth session of the PCT Interim Committee for Technical Cooperation, held in Geneva from October 29 to November 3, 1975, the Interim Committee discussed the question of sorted collections of patent documents of Australia, Austria and Canada under PCT Rule 34.1(c)(vi). It was felt, however, that before the conditions for inclusion of these documents in the PCT minimum documentation could be considered as fulfilled, inventories of the patent documents contained in the sorted collections should be prepared (see in this respect paragraphs 30 to 33 of document PCT/TCO/V/20 and document PCT/TCO/V/4 attached).
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 In view of the tasks entrusted to the International Bureau in this question, I would appreciate it if you could communicate a list or inventory comprising the numbers of all patent documents included in the sorted collection prepared by the Canadian Patent Office since August 4, 1970, and if you could reply to the following questions :

- (i) does your Office envisage to provide the same alternatives to prospective International Searching Authorities as offered by the Austrian Patent Office (choice of obtaining the sorted collection of Austrian patent documents either in hard copy form or in the form of 16 mm microfilm)?

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Commissioner of Patents
 Consumer and Corporate Affairs
 Intellectual Property
 Research and International Affairs
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 Hull, Quebec, K1A 0E1
 Canada

Commissioner of Patents, Consumer and Corporate Affairs,
 Intellectual Property, Research and International Affairs,
 Hull, Canada - December 19, 1975

- (ii) if yes, what would be the charge for a sorted collection of Canadian patent documents in the form of 16 mm microfilm?
- (iii) is the sorted collection arranged in numerical order [which we presume is also the order of the date of publication]?

In order to allow the International Bureau to proceed with this matter as scheduled for 1976, I should be very much obliged if the reply of your Office could be received before February 28, 1976.

Sincerely yours,

F. Sviridov
 Deputy Director General

PCT/TCO/VI/6
 ANNEX/ANNEXE
 C

[Annex D follows/L'annexe D suit]



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ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE: 71/78

Your ref: PCT 406-21

24th February 1976

Dear Sir,

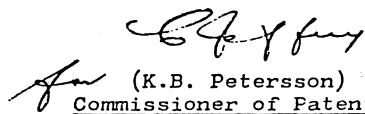
In replying to your letter of 19 December 1975, I find that it will not be possible to prepare the lists of the documents requested before the target date - February 28, 1976. I am therefore replying to the questionnaire now and will send the lists as soon as they become available.

The answers to the questions are:

- (i) This Office is not in a position to provide copies of selected documents in any microform.
- (ii) N.A.
- (iii) That part of the collection which contains accepted specifications is arranged in order of a six-digit number assigned at acceptance. The lapsed specifications are arranged in order of a seven-digit number assigned at lodgment. (See also answer to question (iv)).
- (iv) The earliest publication date of a specification, in either the accepted or lapsed batches, is deemed by the Australian Patents Act to be the date on which a notice is published in the "Official Journal" that the specification is open to public inspection. (This date appears on each printed specification associated with INID number (41). It will be apparent on inspection that this date bears no fixed relationship to either the six-digit or seven-digit number printed on the specification. Therefore, the collections cannot be regarded as arranged in order of publication date).

Our recent reply to your questionnaire (Circular 2402/PCT20) is also relevant to questions (iii) and (iv).

Yours faithfully,


(K.B. Petersson)
Commissioner of Patents

Mr F. Sviridov,
Deputy Director General,
World Intellectual Property Organization,
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1211 Geneva 20,
SWITZERLAND.



THE PERMANENT MISSION OF AUSTRALIA TO
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FILE REFERENCE NO: 227/25

MEMORANDUM NO:

30 March 1976

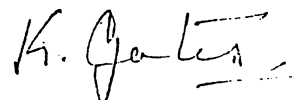
Dear Mr Haddrick,

I have been asked to pass to you the following message received from Australia:

"From Patent Office, Canberra.

Replying your telex March 26. Add to our letter February 24 that date against inid number (41) corresponds to date of distribution of microfilm of specification. The supply of microfiche copies to international searching authorities of specifications will be re-examined at a future date."

Yours sincerely,


(K.I. Gates)
Counsellor

Mr E.M. Haddrick,
World Intellectual Property
Organization,
Place des Nations,
GENEVA.

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ANNEX/ANNEXE D

SURVEY OF PATENT DOCUMENTS OF AUSTRALIA TO DETERMINE TO WHICH EXTENT THE PUBLICATION DATE ON SUCH DOCUMENTS CORRESPONDS TO THE ACTUAL PUBLICATION DATE

Patent Specification (For Accepted Specifications)	Patents Issued in the Patent 1970 (For File 241(c) (VI))		If Date of Publication is Indicated, is this Date the Actual Date of Publication?		If Date of Publication Indicated on the Patent Document is not the Actual Publication Date, what is the Usual Lapse of Time between the Publication Date Indicated on the Patent Document and the Date at which the Said Document is Actually Published?	Briefly state, if necessary any further information concerning how the Actual Publication Date of the Patent Documents listed can be Determined.
	Yes	No	Yes	No		
Patent Specification (For Lapsed Specifications)	Yes		Yes			Activities at the Date of Publication include the preparation of microfilm copies of the complete specification which are placed in files in each of the seven public offices; copies of the microfilm are also made available for sale
						Activities at the Date of Publication include the preparation of microfilm copies of the complete specification which are placed in files in each of the seven public offices; copies of the microfilm are also made available for sale

FROM THE
COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS



PATENT OFFICE, PHILLIP OFFICES
CANBERRA, A.C.T. 2606

TEL. 83 2000

16th March, 1976.

Dear Murray,

Following our recent communication I have had a revision made of the questionnaire which we supplied you on the Sorted Collections. Because of our practise in distributing microfilm copies of these specifications I am satisfied that the information contained on the former communication was not correct, particularly in the light of Rule 33 of the P.C.T. Rules.

I have therefore prepared a revised answer for your information, which is included herewith.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(K.B. Petersson)

Mr. E.M. Haddrick,
Head P.C.T. Section,
World Intellectual Property Organisation,
32 Chemin des Colombettes,
1211 Geneva 20,
SWITZERLAND.

Note by the International Bureau

Although the attachment to this letter was a completed questionnaire on publication dates sent out under Circular No. 2402 (see document PCT/TCO/VI/5), the completion of this questionnaire was appropriate for establishing the kind of publication to be used to determine the earliest publication date of the documents in the Australian sorted collection.



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ANNEX/ANNEXE E

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GR 997/75-8

Mr. F. Sviridov
Deputy Director General
WIPO

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Dear Mister Sviridov,

I refer to your letter of December 19, 1975
(Circular PCT 407-21) and have the honour
to furnish the following information:

Question No 1 (arrangement of sorted collection):

Collections both in hard copy form and
on 16-mm microfilm are arranged in
numerical order.

Question No 2 (charge)

A charge referred to in para 32 of doc.
PCT/TCO/V/20 of at present 200 Austrian
Schilling per roll of duplicate film
containing about 300 specifications
is envisaged.

Sincerely Yours

(Dr. Schmeiser)

Annex

[Annex F follows/L'annexe F suit]

January 21, 1976

Mr. F. Sviridov,
Deputy Director General,
World Intellectual Property Organization,
32 Chemin des Colombettes,
1211 Geneva 20,
Switzerland.


Your file Votre référence
1072-W
Our file Notre référence

I trust that the enclosed material will be found to be satisfactory.

Yours truly,

Dear Mr. Sviridov:

In response to your letter of December 19th, I am submitting herewith the full weekly inventories of the Canadian patent documents contained in our sorted collections from August 4, 1970 to date.


J.A. Brown,
Acting Commissioner of Patents.

The answers to the three questions raised are as follows:-

- i) We will not be in a position to supply the sorted Canadian collection on 16mm microfilm.

However, we can supply either hard copies or microfiche copies similar to the four samples enclosed with this letter.

- ii) We are prepared to supply free of charge, the microfiche copies as there are only approximately 20 of these each week.
- iii) The sorted collection is in numerical order which is also the order of the weekly date of publication.

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Commissioner
of Patents
Ottawa - Hull
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Commissaire
des brevets
Ottawa - Hull
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[Annex G follows/'L'annexe G suit]

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ANNEX/ANNEXE F



WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION
ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE

C. 2453
PCT 21

April 2, 1976

Re: Sorted Collections of Patent Documents under
PCT Rule 34.1(c) (vi)

Dear Sir,

At its fifth session, held in Geneva from October 29 to November 3, 1975, the PCT Interim Committee for Technical Cooperation considered the offers of sorted collections of patent documents of Australia, Austria and Canada, as summarized in document PCT/TCO/V/4. It was felt that, before the conditions for inclusion of these documents in the PCT minimum documentation under PCT Rule 34.1(c) (vi) could be fulfilled, a listing or inventory of the said patent documents was needed (see paragraphs 30 to 33 of the report of the fifth session of the Interim Committee, document PCT/TCO/V/20).

In accordance with this decision, the International Bureau invited the Patent Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada to supply listings or inventories of the patent documents contained in the sorted sets and to provide information on whether the said documents could be obtained in hard copy form or in microform, in order to facilitate the decision of the prospective International Searching Authorities on whether, and to what extent, they needed the sorted sets.

C. 2453
PCT 21

April 1, 1976

For your convenience, a summary of the replies received by the International Bureau is attached hereto. This summary also includes the information contained in document PCT/TCO/V/4.

The International Bureau would appreciate being informed, after you have considered the attached summary, whether, and to what extent, you need the sorted sets, and, if so, in what form the sorted sets are desired.

To enable the International Bureau to establish the final list of prospective International Searching Authorities which need sorted sets of documents referred to in the summary and in what form the sorted sets are desired, and then to disseminate this information to the Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada before the next meeting of the PCT Interim Committee for Technical Cooperation, you are kindly requested to reply by May 31, 1976.

Sincerely yours,

Felix A. Sviridov
Deputy Director General

PCT/TCO/VI/6
ANNEX/ANNEXE G

SORTED COLLECTIONS OF PATENT DOCUMENTS OF AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA AND CANADA
SUMMARY OF THE REPLIES RECEIVED BY THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

Country	Kind of Patent Document	Earliest Date of Publication	Number of Patent Documents in the Sorted Collection	Average Annual Increase of the Sorted Collection	Organization of the Sorted Collection			Form in which the Sorted Collection would be Supplied	Charge if in Microform
					Numerical	Classified	Do the Patent Documents contain IPC Symbols and, if so, from which date?		
Australia	Accepted Specifications	October 22, 1970 ⁽¹⁾	10,000 ⁽³⁾	3,000 ⁽³⁾	Yes ⁽⁵⁾	No	Yes, from January 23, 1975	Paper only ⁽⁸⁾	-
	Lapsed Specifications	July 2, 1970 ⁽²⁾			Yes ⁽⁶⁾	No	Yes, from January 1, 1976	Paper only ⁽⁸⁾	-
Austria	Patents (Patentschriften)	July 26, 1971	8,000 ⁽⁴⁾ (up to December 31, 1975)	2,100 ⁽³⁾	Yes	No	Yes, from July 26, 1971	Paper or 16 mm microfilm	Envisaged : 200 Austrian Schillings per roll of duplicate film containing about 300 documents (US\$ 10,000)
Canada	Patents	August 4, 1970	4,400 ⁽⁴⁾ (up to January 13, 1976)	850 ⁽³⁾	Yes ⁽⁷⁾	No	Not classified according to IPC, but such classification possible due to existence of concordance between Canadian Classification and IPC	Paper or microfiche	Prepared to supply free of charge

- Footnotes :**
- (1) Date of acceptance.
 - (2) Date of notification of lapse in the official Gazette.
 - (3) Figures contained in document PCT/TCO/V/4.
 - (4) Amounts calculated on the basis of the inventories of sorted collections supplied to the International Bureau by the Patent Offices of Austria and Canada.
 - (5) Six-digit numbers assigned at acceptance. No relationship with date of publication.
 - (6) Seven-digit numbers assigned at lodgement. No relationship with date of publication.
 - (7) The numerical order is also in the order of the weekly date of publication.
 - (8) Supply in microform will be re-examined at a future date.



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GR 997/76-23

Mr. Felix A. Sviridov
Deputy Director General
World Intellectual Property
Organization
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Dear Mister Sviridov,

With respect to your Circular C. 2453 PCT 21 of April 2, 1976 I would like to inform you that the Austrian Patent Office does not intend to charge a fee for rolls of microfilm of Austrian patent specifications (sorted collections of non-priority-documents) if a country does ask for microfilm only. The amount of 200 Austrian Schilling is only charged when both paper and microfilm is required (see last report of PCT-meeting November 1975).

As the Austrian Patent Office prefers supplying the documents in form of microfilm I am asking you to inform the addresses of the circular.

Sincerely yours,

J. Schmeiser

(Dr. Schmeiser)
Vizepräsident



Bundesministerium für
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Mr. FRANKLIN
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Dear Mister Franklin,

With respect to your Circular 2453 PCT 21 of April 2, 1976 and in response to your telephone call of June 18, I should like to inform you that the Austrian Patent Office needs the non-priority patent documents of Canada only, in paper form, as the Australian Specifications are already contained in the documentation of our office.

Sincerely yours

J. Schmeiser

(Dr. Schmeiser)

[Annex J follows/L'annexe J suit]

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ANNEX/ANNEXE H

DER PRÄSIDENT
DES DEUTSCHEN PATENTAMTS

PCT/TCO/VI/6
ANNEX/ANNEXE J

8000 MÜNCHEN 2, den April 27, 1976

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Fernschreiber 5 23 534

Fernrufdurchwahl (0 89) 21 95

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Geschäfts-Nr.: 9330/10 H 5 Bln. Bd. IV

Bitte in der Antwort die vorstehende Geschäftsnummer angeben.

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Mr. Felix A. S v i r i d o v
Deputy Director General
World Intellectual Property
Organization (WIPO)
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Re: Singled out Collections of Patent Documents
according to Rule 34.1 (c)(vi) PCT

Ref.: Circular No. 2453 PCT 21 of April 2, 1976

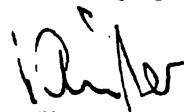
Dear Sir,

In reply to your Circular regarding the singled out patent documents according to Rule 34.1 (c)(vi) PCT I should like to inform you as follows:

The German Patent Office is interested in the singled out collections of patent documents of Australia and Canada in the form of paper copies and in the scope mentioned in the list, in order to include it into the search documentation, i.e. into the classified search file set up with the examiner. The singled out collection of Austrian patent documents is not required as said documents are already part of the search documentation of the German Patent Office.

Furthermore I should like to inform you that correspondence has already been taken up with the Australian and Canadian Patent Offices with respect to the handing over of said singled out collections.

Sincerely yours,


Dr. Häusser

[Annex K follows/
L'annexe K suit]

PATENT OFFICE
JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

4-3, Kasumigaseki 3-chome
Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan

TOKU SO 581/51
May 31, 1976

Mr. F.A. Sviridov
Deputy Director General
World Intellectual Property Organization
32, chemin des Colombettes
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland

Dear Sir:


Please refer to your letter C. 2453 - PCT 21 of April 2, 1976.

The Japanese Patent Office wishes to inform you that, as regards the sorted collection of patent documents of Austria and Canada, we wish to have them offered in microform. We would also like to confirm that the conditions for offer of the Austrian sorted sets have not been changed (please refer to PCT/TCO/V/ 20 par. 32).

As to the Australian sorted sets, we have already received some in paper copies. However, if it is possible, we would rather have them in microform.

Further, we wish to request that all the documents in the sorted collections would contain IPC symbols.

Yours truly,


Yoshio Nakata
Director General
General Administration Department

[Annex L follows/L'annexe L suit].

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15.6.76

TRANSLATION

STATE COMMITTEE FOR INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES
OF THE USSR COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
MOSCOW

14/II-15607/45

May 31, 1976

Dear Mr. Sviridov,

In response to your circular letter No. 2453 of April 2, 1976, I should like to inform you that the State Committee for Inventions and Discoveries of the USSR Council of Ministers receives sorted collections of national patent documents of Canada, as well as all patent documents of Austria and Australia and, therefore, we do not need additional copies.

The State Committee for Inventions and Discoveries of the USSR Council of Ministers should like to note that the solution of the problem concerning the inclusion in the PCT minimum documentation of additional patent documents under PCT Rule 34.1(c)(vi) could be considerably facilitated by the efforts on the side of the countries concerned to put IPC symbols on patent documents.

Sincerely yours,

L. Komarov
Deputy Chairman of the State Committee

Mr. Felix A. Sviridov
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Уважаемый господин Свиридов !

На Ваше письмо от 2 апреля 1976 года № 2453 сообщал, что Государственный комитет Совета Министров СССР по делам изобретений и открытий получает отобранные национальные патентные документы Канады, а также все патентные документы Австрии и Австралии, поэтому нам не требуется дополнительных копий.

Государственный комитет Совета Министров СССР по делам изобретений и открытий хотел бы отметить, что решению вопроса о включении в минимум документации PCT дополнительных патентных документов в соответствии с правилом PCT 34.1(c)(vi) в значительной мере способствовали бы усилия соответствующих стран по простановке на патентных документах индексов МКИ.

С уважением



Л.Комаров
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[Annex M follows/L'annexe M suit]

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att: deputy dir. general sviridov

in answer to circular 2453 .- pct 21 swedish patent office begs
to inform that it would need - subject to pct requirements -
paper collections of concerned sorted documents of australia,
austria and canada as far as the documents contain ipc symbols.

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Patent and Trademark Office**

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June 1, 1976

Mr. F. Sviridov
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World Intellectual Property Organization
32, chemin des Colombettes
1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland

Dear Mr. Sviridov

This letter is in response to WIPO Circular No. 2453 concerning the sorted patent documents of Australia, Austria and Canada. These sorted sets are not required by the United States Patent and Trademark Office since these patent documents are received under the exchange agreements.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alfred C. Marmor".

Alfred C. Marmor
Administrator for Documentation

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RIJSWIJK (Z.H.), le June 11th, 1976

Dear Mr. Sviridov,

With reference to circular C 2453 concerning "Sorted collections of patent documents under PCT rule 34.1 (c) (vi)", I have the honor to inform you as follows:

Australia and Canada: the IIB is already receiving the sorted collections of patent documents from these two countries.

Austria: the IIB needs a sorted collection of Austrian patent documents as specified in the summary added to the circular. This collection is desired in the form of paper copies.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A. Vandecasteele', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

A. VANDECASTEELE
Head of Documentation Department

[Annex P follows/L'annexe P suit]



WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION
ORGANISATION MONDIALE DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE

C. 2517
PCT 21

July 6, 1976

Re: Sorted Collections of Patent Documents under
PCT Rule 34.1(c) (vi)

Sir,

At its fifth session, held in Geneva from October 29 to November 3, 1975, the PCT Interim Committee for Technical Cooperation (hereinafter referred to as the "Interim Committee") considered the offers of sorted collections of patent documents of Australia, Austria and Canada and expressed the view that, before the conditions for the inclusion of these documents in the PCT minimum documentation under PCT Rule 34.1(c) (vi) could be fulfilled, lists or inventories of these documents were needed. The International Bureau was entrusted with the task of obtaining the required information and circulating it among the prospective International Searching Authorities in order to facilitate their decision as to whether, and to what extent, they needed the sorted sets. Furthermore, the International Bureau was asked to communicate to the Patent Offices of Australia, Austria and Canada the final list of those Authorities which needed sorted sets of the above-mentioned documents, with a request to place the sorted sets at the disposal of each of the Authorities requesting them (see paragraphs 30 to 33 of the report of the said fifth session, document PCT/TCO/V/20).

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C. 2517
PCT 21

, 1976

Following the obtaining of the required information and the communication of it to the prospective International Searching Authorities, I have the honour to send you herewith a schedule listing the said Authorities and indicating whether such Authorities require the sorted set of patent documents of your Office and, if a sorted set is required, the form in which the sorted set is desired.

Pursuant to the decision of the Interim Committee referred to above, you are requested to place a sorted set of the patent documents of your Office at the disposal of each prospective International Searching Authority which has expressed the wish to receive such a set.

Sincerely yours,

Felix A. Sviridov
Deputy Director General

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Annex to Circular No. 2517

Prospective International Searching Authorities	Sorted Collections of the patent documents of:		
	Australia	Austria	Canada
Austrian Patent Office	not needed (already contained in the documentation)		needed in paper form
German Patent Office	needed in paper form	not needed (already part of the search documentation)	needed in paper form
Japanese Patent Office	already received some in paper form desired in microform	needed in microform	needed in microform
Soviet Union Patent Office	not needed (already being received)	not needed (already being received)	not needed (already being received)
Swedish Patent Office	needed in paper form (as far as the documents contain IPC symbols)	needed in paper form (as far as the documents contain IPC symbols)	needed in paper form (as far as the documents contain IPC symbols)
United States Patent Office	not needed (received under exchange agreements)	not needed (received under exchange agreements)	not needed (received under exchange agreements)
International Patent Institute (IIB)	not needed (already being received)	needed in paper form	not needed (already being received)