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Madam, Sir,

Reports by International Authorities on Quality Management

International Authorities are invited, in accordance with the agreement reached by the Meeting of International Authorities Under the PCT (PCT/MIA) at its 13th session (see document PCT/MIA/13/8, available on WIPO's website at http://www.wipo.int/edocs/mdocs/pct/en/pct_mia_13/pct_mia_13_8.doc, paragraphs 16 to 22), to submit updates to their reports on their quality management systems to the International Bureau.

A template (T21-18) for updated reports was agreed by the Meeting of International Authorities. This can be downloaded in Word format from the PCT/MIA website at www.wipo.int/pct-mia (username: "pctmia"; password: "miaforum"). The website also includes copies of all reports previously submitted by International Authorities and the template for full reports (T21-17), which may be used as an alternative to T21-18 by any Authority which considers that a full report is more appropriate, for example, because a particularly extensive review has been carried out during the year.

The Indian Patent Office and Brazilian National Institute of Industrial Property are invited to submit provisional reports using template T21-17, and to provide any appropriate additional information before they commence activity as an International Authority.

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The reports submitted will be considered at the 15th session of the Meeting of International Authorities, which is provisionally scheduled to be held in Vienna from March 12 to 14, 2008, and will subsequently be made available to the public on the main PatentScope website.

Authorities are requested to submit their reports by January 31, 2008, preferably by e-mail to *pct.mia@wipo.int*.

Yours sincerely,

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