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Does the receiving Office accept the filing of international applications with requests in PCT-EASY format? ¹	Yes
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Transmittal fee:	BZD 300
International filing fee: ³	USD 1,338 (1,210) ⁴
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PCT-EASY: ¹	USD 101 (91) ⁴
Search fee:	See Annex D(EP)
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	BZD 20
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)):	BZD 150
Is an agent required by the receiving Office?	No, if the applicant resides in Belize Yes, if he is a non-resident
Who can act as agent?	Any patent attorney entitled to practice before the Office

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² For international applications filed on or after 1 March 2007.

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⁴ The amount in parentheses is applicable as from 1 January 2009.