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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS LINKED TO UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL SANCTIONS

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MONITORING OF SANCTIONS

1. At the eleventh session of the PCT Working Group, held in June 2018, the International Bureau gave an overview of the measures taken to comply with various sanctions imposed by the United Nations Security Council (see document PCT/WG/11/14 and paragraphs 40 to 43 of document PCT/WG/11/26).
2. The Chair concluded, *inter alia*, that (paragraph 44(c) of document PCT/WG/11/26):

“Delegations supported the subject of UN sanctions remaining on the agenda of the PCT Working Group, with the International Bureau providing a report to Member States of any relevant events at the next session of the Working Group. Such reports should not include details of applications that were not open to public inspection, which would be contrary to PCT Article 30 concerning the confidential nature of an international application before international publication.”
3. Since the eleventh session of the PCT Working Group, the monitoring process set up by the International Bureau with respect to all individuals and entities subject to sanctions measures imposed by the Security Council of the United Nations did not reveal that applicants named in PCT international applications implicate any such designated individual or entity.

4. On February 6, 2019, WIPO informed the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) that two new international patent applications under the PCT had been submitted by nationals and/or residents of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Pursuant to the conclusions of the Chair referred to in paragraph 2, above, other than confirming that none of the applicants named in the two applications implicated any such designated individual or entity, the information provided to the Committee did not include any details of the applications concerned.

5. *The Working Group is invited to note the contents of this document.*

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