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MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITIES UNDER THE PCT

The Meeting of International Authorities under the PCT held its fourth session at WIPO Headquarters from 27 June to 1 July 1994. The session was attended by representatives of the Offices which act as International Searching Authorities (ISAs) and/or International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs), as well as by representatives of the International Bureau.

The Meeting agreed on a number of changes to the PCT Preliminary Examination Guidelines, the PCT Administrative Instructions and the Forms for use by the ISAs and IPEAs. Details of changes affecting PCT users will be given in the *PCT Newsletter* when they come into effect.

The Meeting also discussed proposals concerning the establishment of a uniform format for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings disclosed in international applications. It agreed that a special meeting including experts in the field of sequence listings should consider development of a PCT standard for sequence listings, including questions relating to language.

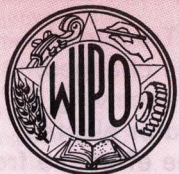
PCT STATISTICS — 1 January to 30 June 1994

During the first half of 1994 the International Bureau of WIPO received 16,290 international applications filed with PCT receiving Offices worldwide, which represented an increase over the same period in 1993

of 14.8%. These 16,290 international applications had the effect of 262,521 national applications and of 3,989 regional patent applications, which in turn had the effect of 326,687 applications for patent protection in the member States of the regional patent systems; that is, a total of 589,208 applications.

Table 1, on page 2, shows the top ten countries of origin of international applications which were filed in the first half of 1994. (Note that 13.6% of international applications received during this period were filed with either the European Patent Office (EPO) or the International Bureau; those filings are included in the figures concerning the Contracting State of which the applicant is a national or a resident.)

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**Table 1: PCT filings by country of origin
(January to June 1994)**

Country of origin	Applications received	% of total
US	6,985	42.9
DE	2,027	12.4
GB	1,599	9.8
JP	1,092	6.7
FR	818	5.0
SE	598	3.7
NL	372	2.3
CA	361	2.2
AU	356	2.2
FI	302	1.9
Other States bound by the PCT (69 at the end of June 1994)	1,780	10.9
	16,290	100.0

The number of demands received by the International Bureau during the first half of 1994 amounted to 11,005, which represents an increase over the same period in 1993 of 10.8%. Table 2 shows the number of demands sent to the International Bureau by each International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA).

**Table 2: International preliminary examination
(January to June 1994)**

IPEA	Demands sent
EP	5,507
US	3,920
SE	732
AU	384
JP	359
AT	56
RU	46
CN	1
	11,005

In the same period, 49 international applications were transmitted by "non-competent" receiving Offices to the International Bureau in its capacity as receiving Office under PCT Rule 19.4, thus retaining as their international filing date the date of receipt by the "non-competent" Office (provided that all PCT Article 11 requirements had been fulfilled).

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Canada (fees)

As from 18 October 1994, there will be a change in the amounts, in Canadian dollars, of the basic fee, the designation fee and the supplement per sheet over 30 (see Table I(a), on pages 5 and 6).

Kenya (competent International Searching Authorities)

The Kenya Industrial Property Office, in its capacity as a receiving Office, has specified the Chinese Patent Office, in addition to the Australian Patent Office and the European Patent Office (EPO), as a competent International Searching Authority.

Russian Federation (language; competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Russian Patent Office now accepts, from Russian nationals and residents, international applications filed in English as well as in Russian. Also, the applicant can now choose the EPO as International Searching Authority (ISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) for applications filed in English. However, the EPO will only act as IPEA for international applications for which the EPO has established the international search report. The Russian Patent Office is a competent ISA and IPEA for international applications filed in either Russian or English.

United States of America (proposed new fees)

The United States Patent and Trademark Office has proposed certain fee changes, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office, ISA, IPEA, and designated or elected Office, which if adopted will be effective from 1 October 1994. Note that the fee changes are still *subject to confirmation*. The proposed new amounts of the transmittal fee, the search fee and the preliminary examination fee are shown in Tables I(a), I(b) and II, on pages 5 to 7. The new national fees will be indicated in the form of a tear-out provisional sheet for *the PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. II, once they have been confirmed.

European Patent Office (new form for entry into regional phase)

The form used by applicants for requesting entry into the regional phase before the

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FILING OF AUTHORIZATIONS WITH THE EPO AS PCT RECEIVING OFFICE

The *Official Journal of the EPO* (No. 7/1994, page 539) advises applicants filing international applications with the EPO as receiving Office that the simplified system for appointment of a professional representative which operates for **European applications** (whereby a representative, whose name appears on the EPO list and who identifies himself as such, need not normally file a signed authorization) **cannot be used** for the purposes of **international applications**. Appointment of an agent for the international phase under the PCT requires an indication to that effect in the PCT request and/or separate power(s) of attorney, which must be signed by the applicant or applicants concerned (see PCT Rule 90.4 and 90.5).

PRACTICAL ADVICE

Country of filing of priority applications

Q: I have filed an international application in which I claimed priority of an earlier application which was filed in India. The receiving Office has just informed me in

Form PCT/RO/111 that the priority claim has been cancelled ex officio since it is not possible to claim the priority of an application which was filed in India. Please could you explain the reason for this.

A: Under PCT Article 8(1), an international application may contain a declaration, as prescribed in the Regulations, claiming the priority of one or more earlier applications filed in or for **any country party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property**. The PCT thus provides for international applications to include only priority claims made under the Paris Convention. Since India is not party to the Paris Convention, the priority of an application filed in India cannot be claimed in an international application, even though the national law in certain States designated in the international application may recognize a priority right based on an earlier application filed in India. (The same reasoning would apply to earlier applications filed in other countries not party to the Paris Convention.)

A list of the States party to the Paris Convention as of 1 August 1994 is shown in the table below.

States party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and their two-letter codes (as of 1 August 1994)

Algeria (DZ)	Cuba (CU)	Indonesia (ID)	Mexico (MX)	Swaziland (SZ)
Argentina (AR)	Cyprus (CY)	Iran (Islamic Republic of) (IR)	Monaco (MC)	Sweden (SE)
Armenia (AM)	Czech Republic (CZ)	Iraq (IQ)	Mongolia (MN)	Switzerland (CH)
Australia (AU)	Democratic People's Republic of Korea (KP)	Ireland (IE)	Morocco (MA)	Syria (SY)
Austria (AT)	Denmark (DK)	Israel (IL)	Netherlands (NL)	Tajikistan (TJ)
Bahamas (BS)	Dominican Republic (DO)	Italy (IT)	New Zealand (NZ)	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (MK)
Bangladesh (BD)	Egypt (EG)	Japan (JP)	Niger (NE)	Togo (TG)
Barbados (BB)	El Salvador (SV)	Jordan (JO)	Nigeria (NG)	Trinidad and Tobago (TT)
Belarus (BY)	Estonia (EE) (from 24 August 1994)	Kazakhstan (KZ)	Norway (NO)	Tunisia (TN)
Belgium (BE)	Finland (FI)	Kenya (KE)	Paraguay (PY)	Turkey (TR)
Benin (BJ)	France (FR)	Kyrgyzstan (KG)	Philippines (PH)	Uganda (UG)
Bolivia (BO)	Gabon (GA)	Latvia (LV)	Poland (PL)	Ukraine(UA)
Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)	Gambia (GM)	Lebanon (LB)	Portugal (PT)	United Kingdom (GB)
Brazil (BR)	Georgia (GE)	Lesotho (LS)	Republic of Korea (KR)	United Republic of Tanzania (TZ)
Bulgaria (BG)	Germany (DE)	Liberia (LR) (from 27 August 1994)	Republic of Moldova (MD)	United States of America (US)
Burkina Faso (BF)	Ghana(GH)	Libya (LY)	Romania (RO)	Uruguay (UY)
Burundi (BI)	Greece (GR)	Liechtenstein (LI)	Russian Federation (RU)	Uzbekistan (UZ)
Cameroon (CM)	Guinea (GN)	Lithuania (LT)	Rwanda (RW)	Viet Nam (VN)
Canada (CA)	Guinea-Bissau (GW)	Luxembourg (LU)	San Marino (SM)	Yugoslavia (YU)
Central African Republic (CF)	Guyana (GY) (from 25 October 1994)	Madagascar (MG)	Senegal (SN)	Zaire (ZR)
Chad (TD)	Haiti (HT)	Malawi (MW)	Slovakia (SK)	Zambia (ZM)
Chile (CL)	Holy See (VA)	Malaysia (MY)	Slovenia (SI)	Zimbabwe (ZW)
China (CN)	Honduras (HN)	Mali (ML)	South Africa (ZA)	
Congo (CG)	Hungary (HU)	Malta (MT)	Spain (ES)	
Côte d'Ivoire (CI)	Iceland (IS)	Mauritania (MR)	Sri Lanka (LK)	
Croatia (HR)		Mauritius (MU)	Sudan (SD)	
			Suriname (SR)	

(Total: 126 States)

PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR (until end of November 1994)		
Dates	Location and nature of seminar WIPO speakers	Who to contact for further information
31 August -1 September 1994	Copenhagen (DK) Advanced PCT workshop for patent administrators organized by the Danish Patent Office WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon and Mr. Bryan	Ms. Inge-Lise Hoybye Tel: (45 43) 71 71 71 Fax: (45 43) 71 71 70
19 September 1994	Buenos Aires (AR) PCT seminar jointly organized by WIPO and the Secretary for Industry of the Ministry of the Economy, Works, and Public Services of Argentina WIPO speakers: Mr. Rubio and Mr. Bryan	Dra. Norma Félix de Sturla Tel: (54-1) 343 26 56 Fax: (54-1) 343 26 56
20-21 September 1994 (originally scheduled for 12-13 July 1994 in Munich)	Chiemsee (DE) PCT colloquium for frequent users (patent attorneys and heads of patent departments), organized by Forum Institut für Management GmbH WIPO speakers: Mr. Bartels and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Forum Tel: (49-6221) 47 95 12 Fax: (49-6221) 41 16 27
22-23 September 1994 (originally scheduled for 14-15 July 1994 in Munich)	Chiemsee (DE) Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators, organized by Forum Institut für Management GmbH WIPO speaker: Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Forum Tel: (49-6221) 47 95 12 Fax: (49-6221) 41 16 27
29-30 September 1994	Zurich (CH) PCT seminar for patent administrators organized by Forum Institut für Management GmbH WIPO speaker: Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Forum Tel: (49-6221) 47 95 12 Fax: (49-6221) 41 16 27
7 October 1994	Paris (FR) PCT seminar for patent attorneys, organized by Forum Institut für Management GmbH WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon	Forum Tel: (49-6221) 47 95 12 Fax: (49-6221) 41 16 27
11-12 October 1994	Beijing (CN) Advanced PCT seminar organized by the Chinese Patent Office WIPO speakers: Mr. Bartels, Mr. Wang, Mr. Thomas	Mr. Wu Xiangwen Tel: (86-1) 201 96 75 Fax: (86-1) 201 96 15
17-18 October 1994	Hong Kong (HK) Advanced PCT seminar organized by the Chinese Patent Office and China Patent Agent (H.K.) Ltd. WIPO speakers: Mr. Bartels, Mr. Wang, Mr. Thomas	Mrs. Shi Xiaomei Tel: (852) 828 46 31 Fax: (852) 827 10 18
3-4 November 1994	London (GB) PCT seminar for patent lawyers and attorneys organized by Management Forum Ltd. WIPO speaker: Mr. Thomas	Management Forum Ltd. Tel: (44-483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44-483) 364 24
3-4 November 1994	Munich (DE) PCT seminar for patent administrators organized by Forum Institut für Management GmbH WIPO speaker: Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Forum Tel: (49-6221) 47 95 12 Fax: (49-6221) 41 16 27
17-18 November 1994	Chicago (US) Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators organized by the John Marshall Law School WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Ms. Rosemary Knight Tel: (1-312) 987 14 20 Fax: (1-312) 427 71 28
21-22 November 1994	San Francisco (US) Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators organized by Intellectual Property International WIPO speakers: Ms. Boutillon and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	Ms. Virginia H. Meyer Tel: (1-415) 289 74 71 Fax: (1-415) 331 60 68

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European Patent Office (EPO) as a designated or elected Office (EPA/EPO/OEB Form 1200) has been revised. The revised form (dated 07.94) takes into account the new possibility of requesting extension of European patents to certain States. It can be obtained from the EPO and is also included in the July 1994 update for the *PCT Applicant's Guide*.

Search fee (European Patent Office)

As from 1 October 1994, there will be a change in the amount, in US dollars, of the fee for international search by the EPO. The new amount is shown in Table I(b), on page 7.

Armenia, Estonia and Liberia (general information)

General information about the above-mentioned States as Contracting States and information of interest if those States are designated (or elected) is set out in pink tear-out provisional sheets for the *PCT Applicants Guide*, Vol. I, Annex B1.

Institutions with which deposits of microorganisms may be made

The name and address of the Russian Federation Research Institute for Genetics and Industrial Microorganism Breeding (VNIIG) has changed to:

Russian National Collection of Industrial Microorganisms (VKPM), GNII Genetika Dorozhny proezd, 1,
Moscow 113545, Russian Federation.

PCT Applicant's Guide binders

The rapid increase in the number of PCT Contracting States during the past two years has resulted in the need to add an additional binder, Volume II/C, to the existing Volume II/A and II/B. Subscribers to the *PCT Applicant's Guide* will receive Volume II/C with the July 1994 update. Gaps between certain country separator sheets may give the impression that some countries are missing. However, the sheets have deliberately been supplied in this way so as to allow for the inclusion of further States as they accede.

PCT FEE TABLES

The following Tables show the amounts (including currencies) for 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 (Table I(a) and Table I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in special circumstances are not shown; nor are details of reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume I, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to changes due to fee increases or fluctuations in exchange rates. The footnotes are on page 7.

Table I(a) – TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES

(as at 1 August 1994, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	Basic fee ¹ (CHF 762)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ¹ (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2} (CHF 185)	Competent ISA(s) ³
AM	AMD ⁴ —	USD 530	10	128	EP RU
AP	USD 70	USD 530	10	128	EP
AT	ATS 700	ATS 6,220	122	1,510	EP
AU	AUD 55	AUD 748	15	182	AU
BE	BEF 1,500	BEF 18,208	358	4,421	EP
BG	BGL 600	BGL equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	EP RU
BR	BRC 21,670	BRC equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	AT EP SE US
BY	RUR ⁴ —	USD 530	10	128	EP RU
CA	CAD 200	CAD 696 (from 18.10.94: 792)	14 (16)	168 (192)	EP
CH	CHF 100	CHF 762	15	185	EP
CN	CNY 500	CNY equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	CN
CZ	CZK 1,200	CZK equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	EP
DE	DEM 150	DEM 883	17	214	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 3,440	70	840	EP SE
EE ⁵	EEK 1,500	EEK equiv of CHF 762	15	185	EP

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Table I(a) – TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES (continued)
(as at 1 August 1994, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		Basic fee ¹ (CHF 762)		Supplement per sheet over 30 ¹ (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2} (CHF 185)	Competent ISA(s) ³
EP ⁶	DEM	200	DEM	883	17	214	EP
ES	None		ESP	76,300	1,500	18,500	EP
FI	FIM	700	FIM	3,200	65	780	EP SE
FR	FRF	400	FRF	3,010	60	730	EP
GB	GBP	55	GBP	352	7	85	EP
GE	USD ⁴	—	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
GR	GRD	30,000	GRD	131,000	3,000	32,000	EP
HU	HUF	1,000	HUF	equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	AT RU
IB	CHF	300	CHF	762	15	185	See note 7
	or USD	200	or USD	530	10	128	
IE	IEP	60	IEP	357	7	87	EP
IT	ITL	60,000	ITL	884,000	17,000	215,000	EP
JP	JPY	18,000	JPY	59,000	1,000	14,000	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv)	30	USD	530	10	128	AU CN EP
KG	KGS ⁴	—	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
KP	KPW	50	KPW	equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	RU
KR	KRW	40,000	KRW	427,000	8,000	103,000	AT AU JP
KZ	RUR ⁴	—	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
LR ⁸	USD	45	USD	530	10	128	AT AU CN EP SE
LT	LTL equiv of USD	80	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
LU	LUF/BEF	1,000	LUF/BEF	18,208	358	4,421	EP
LV	LVL	40	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
MC	FRF	200	FRF	3,010	60	730	EP
MD	MDL ⁴	—	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
MN	None		MNT	equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	EP RU
MW	MWK	8	MWK	2,350	46	570	EP
NL	NLG	110	NLG	1,000	20	240	EP
NO	NOK	500	NOK	3,940	80	960	EP SE
NZ	NZD	155	NZD	976	19	237	AU EP
PL	PLZ	1,500,000	PLZ	equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	EP
PT	PTE	3,000	PTE	89,000	1,800	21,700	EP
RO	ROL	10,000	CHF	762	15	185	AT EP RU
RU	RUR	13,000	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
SD	SDP	50	SDP	equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	EP
SE	SEK	600	SEK	4,355	85	1,060	EP SE
SI	SIT	See note 9	SIT	equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	EP
SK	SKK	1,200	SKK	equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	EP
TJ	RUR ⁴	—	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
TT	TTD ⁴	—	USD	530	10	128	AT EP SE US
UA	UAK ⁴	—	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
US	USD	200	USD	530	10	128	EP US
	(from 01.10.94 ¹⁰ : 210)						
UZ	USD ⁴	—	USD	530	10	128	EP RU
VN	USD	50	VND	equiv of CHF 762	equiv of CHF 15	equiv of CHF 185	AT AU EP RU SE

Key to currency abbreviations for all fee tables:

AMD	Dram	DEM	Mark	ITL	Lira	MNT	Tugrik	SDP	Sudanese Pound
ATS	Schilling	DKK	Danish Krone	JPY	Yen	MWK	Kwacha	SEK	Swedish Krona
AUD	Australian Dollar	EEK	Estonian Krona	KES	Kenyan Shilling	NLG	Guilder	SIT	Tolar
BEF	Belgian Franc	ESP	Peseta	KGS	Som	NOK	Norwegian Krone	SKK	Slovak Koruna
BGL	Lev	FIM	Markka	KPW	Won	NZD	New Zealand Dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago Dollar
BRC	Cruzeiro Real	FRF	French Franc	KRW	Won	PLZ	Zloty	UAK	Karbovanets
CAD	Canadian Dollar	GBP	Pound Sterling	LTL	Lita	PTE	Escudo	USD	US Dollar
CHF	Swiss Franc	GRD	Drachma	LUF	Luxembourg Franc	ROL	Romanian Leu	VND	Dong
CNY	Yuan Renminbi	HUF	Forint	LVL	Lat	RUR	Rouble		
CZK	Czech Koruna	IEP	Irish Pound	MDL	Moldovan Leu				

Table I(b) – SEARCH FEES
(as at 1 August 1994, unless otherwise indicated)

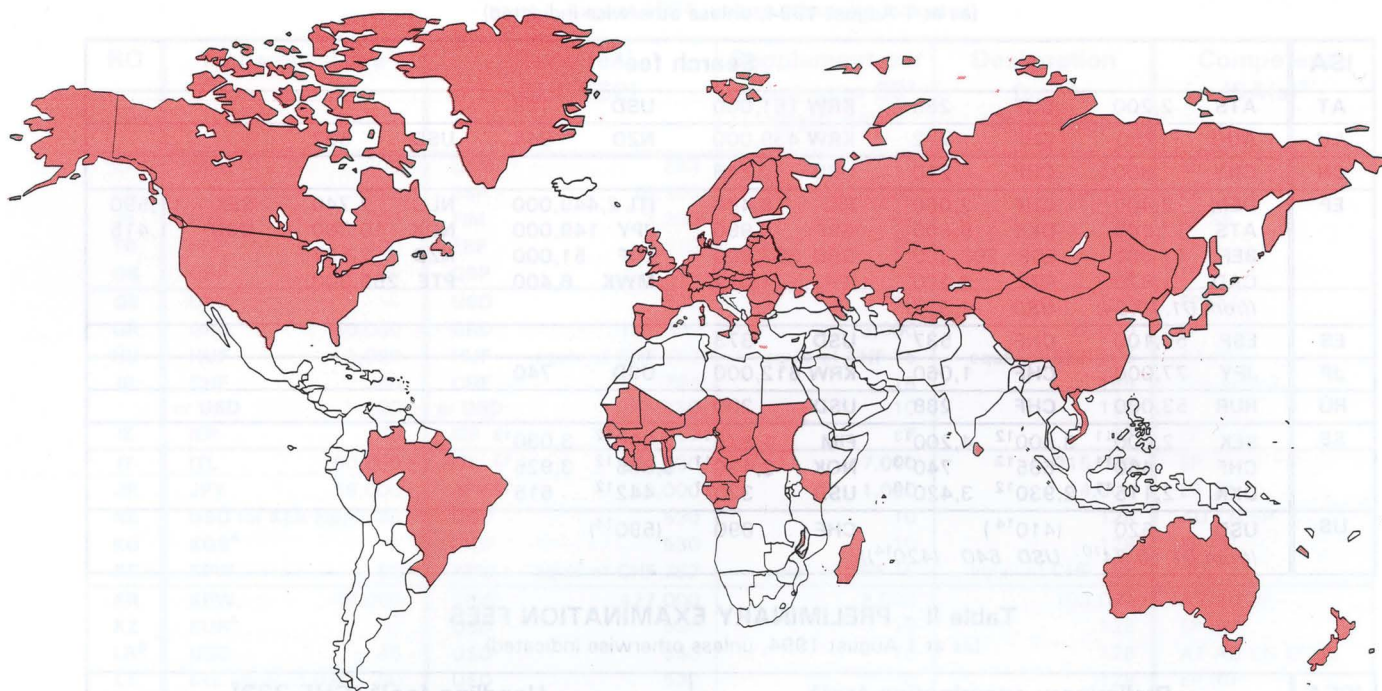
ISA	Search fee ¹											
AT	ATS	2,200	CHF	285	KRW	161,000	USD	198				
AU	AUD	750	CHF	772	KRW	439,000	NZD	945	USD	537		
CN	CNY	800	CHF	210	USD	146						
EP	DEM	2,400	CHF	2,060	FRF	8,480	ITL	2,449,000	NLG	2,740	SEK	11,590
	ATS	17,140	DKK	9,600	GBP	960	JPY	149,000	NOK	10,300	USD	1,415
	BEF	51,000	ESP	203,400	GRD	363,600	LUF	51,000	NZD	2,557		
	CAD	1,870	FIM	8,200	IEP	1,017	MWK	6,400	PTE	255,300		
	(from 01.10.94: USD 1,537)											
ES	ESP	50,100	CHF	537	USD	373						
JP	JPY	77,000	CHF	1,060	KRW	612,000	USD	740				
RU	RUR	53,000	CHF	288	USD	200						
SE	SEK	2,600 ¹¹	3,600 ¹²	4,200 ¹³	FIM	1,875 ¹¹	2,600 ¹²	3,030 ¹³				
	CHF	460 ¹¹	635 ¹²	740 ¹³	NOK	2,430 ¹¹	3,365 ¹²	3,925 ¹³				
	DKK	2,115 ¹¹	2,930 ¹²	3,420 ¹³	USD	320 ¹¹	442 ¹²	515 ¹³				
US	USD	620	(410 ¹⁴)	CHF	890	(590 ¹⁴)						
	(from 01.10.94 ¹⁰ : USD 640 (420 ¹⁴))											

Table II – PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FEES
(as at 1 August 1994, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ¹⁵				Handling fee ¹⁵ (CHF 233)							
AT	ATS	2,200			ATS	1,902						
AU	AUD	400			AUD	229						
CN	CNY	800			CNY equiv of CHF 233							
EP	DEM	3,000	FRF	10,600	NLG	3,430	DEM	270	FRF	920	NLG	305
	ATS	21,430	GBP	1,200	PTE	319,100	ATS	1,902	GBP	108	PTE	27,000
	BEF	63,700	IEP	1,271	SEK	14,490	BEF	5,568	IEP	109	SEK	1,330
	CHF	2,580	ITL	3,061,000			CHF	233	ITL	270,000		
	DKK	12,000	LUF	63,700			DKK	1,050	LUF	5,568		
JP	JPY	28,000			JPY	18,000						
RU	RUR	26,000	USD	300	USD	162						
SE	SEK	3,200			SEK	1,330						
US	USD	450	(670 ¹⁶)		USD	162						
	(from 01.10.94 ¹⁰ : USD 460 (690 ¹⁶))											

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 The confirmation fee payable under PCT Rules 4.9(c) and 15.5 is 50% of the designation fee.
- 3 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 The amounts are not yet known. The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable schedule of fees.
- 5 From 24 August 1994.
- 6 Payments can also be made in ATS, BEF, CHF, DKK, ESP, FRF, GBP, GRD, IEP, ITL, LUF, NLG, PTE or SEK. For the amounts in the said currencies, reference should be made to the latest issue of the *Official Journal* of the EPO.
- 7 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an international application filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the international application 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.
- 8 From 27 August 1994.
- 9 10% of the basic fee, supplement fee, designation fee and search fee.
- 10 As proposed by United States Patent and Trademark Office – to be confirmed.
- 11 If on an earlier application, the priority of which is claimed, a first office action has been issued by the Danish Patent Office.
- 12 If on an earlier application, the priority of which is claimed, a first office action has been issued by the Danish Patent Office, the National Board of Patents and Registration (Finland) or the Norwegian Patent Office.
- 13 In all cases where 11 and 12 do not apply.
- 14 Payable when a corresponding prior US national application has been filed and the basic national fee for that US application has been paid.
- 15 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 16 Payable when the international search report was not established by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES (73 on 1 August 1994)



In the Americas

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BR Brazil
CA Canada
TT Trinidad and
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NO Norway
PL Poland
RO Romania
RU Russian Federa-
tion
SI Slovenia
SK Slovakia
UA Ukraine

In Africa

ARIPO (AP)

KE Kenya
MW Malawi
SD Sudan
**SZ Swaziland (from
20 September 1994)**

OAPI (OA)

BF Burkina Faso
BJ Benin
CF Central African
Republic
CG Congo
CI Côte d'Ivoire
CM Cameroon
GA Gabon
GN Guinea
ML Mali
MR Mauritania
NE Niger
SN Senegal
TD Chad
TG Togo

Non-ARIPO or -OAPI

**LR Liberia (from
27 August 1994)**
MG Madagascar

In Asia and the Pacific

AM Armenia
AU Australia
CN China
GE Georgia
JP Japan
KG Kyrgyzstan
KP Democratic People's
Republic of Korea
KR Republic of Korea
KZ Kazakhstan
LK Sri Lanka
MN Mongolia
NZ New Zealand
TJ Tajikistan
UZ Uzbekistan
VN Viet Nam

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B1**Information on Contracting States****B1****AM****ARMENIA****AM****General information**

Name of Office:

Armenian Patent Office

Location and mailing address:

Government House 3, Central Avenue, Yerevan 375010, Armenia

Telephone:

(7-885-2) 520 673

Facsimile machine:

(7-885-2) 580 631

Teleprinter:

Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?

No

Would the Office accept evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used (PCT Rule 82.1)?

Yes, provided that the delivery service is DHL or Federal Express

Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Armenia:

Armenian Patent Office or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)

Competent designated (or elected) Office if Armenia is designated (or elected):

Armenian Patent Office (see Volume II)

May Armenia be elected?

Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)

Types of protection available:

Patents

Provisions of the law of Armenia concerning international-type search:

None

Provisional protection after international publication:

None

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Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Armenia is designated:

Must be in the request. If the data concerning the inventor are missing at the expiry of the time limit under PCT Article 22 or 39(1)(a), the Armenian Patent Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit fixed in the invitation.

Does the Office disregard the priority claim if the priority document was not submitted within 16 months from the priority date under PCT Rule 17.1?

No

Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms?

No

B1**Information on Contracting States****B1****EE****ESTONIA****EE****General information**

Name of Office:	Riigi Patendiamet Estonian Patent Office
Location and mailing address:	Toompuiestee 7, EE0100 Tallinn, Estonia
Telephone:	(372-2) 45 13 42
Facsimile machine:	(372-2) 45 13 42
Teleprinter:	-
Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?	No
Would the Office accept evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used (PCT Rule 82.1)?	Yes
Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Estonia:	Estonian Patent Office or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)
Competent designated (or elected) Office if Estonia is designated (or elected):	Estonian Patent Office (see Volume II)
May Estonia be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available:	Patents, utility models
Provisions of the law of Estonia concerning international-type search:	Section 23(2) of the Estonian Patent Law
Provisional protection after international publication:	None

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Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Estonia is designated:

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Does the Office disregard the priority claim if the priority document was not submitted within 16 months from the priority date under PCT Rule 17.1?

No

Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms?

No

B1**Information on Contracting States****B1****LR****LIBERIA****LR****General information**

Name of Office:	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bureau of Archives, Patents, Trade Marks and Copyright
Location:	Mamba Point, Monrovia, Liberia
Mailing address:	P.O. Box 9002, Monrovia, Liberia
Telephone:	(231) 22 30 11
Facsimile machine:	(231) 24 40 47
Teleprinter:	(0997) 44211
Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?	Yes, by facsimile machine
Which kinds of documents may be so transmitted?	All kinds of documents
Must the original of the document be furnished in all cases?	Yes, within 14 days from the date of transmission, if the transmitted document is an international application or a replacement sheet containing corrections or amendments of an international application. No, only upon invitation in the case of other documents.
Would the Office accept evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used (PCT Rule 82.1)?	Yes, provided that the delivery service is DHL or EMS
Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Liberia:	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bureau of Archives, Patents, Trade Marks and Copyright or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)
Competent designated (or elected) Office if Liberia is designated (or elected):	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bureau of Archives, Patents, Trade Marks and Copyright (see Volume II)
May Liberia be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available:	Patents
Provisions of the law of Liberia concerning international-type search:	None
Provisional protection after international publication:	None

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Information of interest if Liberia is designated (or elected)

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Liberia is designated:

Must be in the request. If the data concerning the inventor are missing at the expiry of the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1)(a), the Bureau of Archives, Patents, Trade Marks and Copyright will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit fixed in the invitation.

Does the Office disregard the priority claim if the priority document was not submitted within 16 months from the priority date under PCT Rule 17.1?

No

Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms?

No
