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PCT CONTRACTING STATES AND TWO-LETTER CODES

PHIMEWSLETTE

Updated French, German and Spanish versions of the list of PCT Contracting States and two-letter codes, including the notes thereto (printed on the last page of the *PCT Newsletter*) are included in this issue, on pages 13 to 15, respectively.

IMPORTANT POINTS TO NOTE ABOUT THE FILING OF DECLARATIONS UNDER NEW PCT RULE 4.17

The International Bureau has recently started receiving international applications containing declarations under new PCT Rule 4.17, and would like to draw the attention of applicants and their agents to the following situations which should be avoided, since the declarations as filed under PCT Rule 4.17 do not comply with that Rule and the designated Offices concerned will be entitled under PCT Rule 51 bis.2 to require further documents and evidence.

Some applicants have sent to the International Bureau photocopies of declarations which had been made previously for the purposes of the (corresponding) national application, the priority of which is being claimed in the international application concerned, in the expectation that such photocopies would be accepted as declarations under PCT Rule 4.17. Note that declarations under PCT Rule 4.17 may only be made in relation to the international application itself.

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In addition, some of the abovementioned declarations were declarations of inventorship under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America, which must be signed by the inventor(s) named therein. Note that the inventor's signature must be an original signature, and not a photocopy of the signature, as was the case in the above-mentioned situations. Notwithstanding, a signature on a declaration sent by fax, in accordance with PCT Rule 92.4(b), will be regarded as an original signature.

For further information on the filing of declarations under new PCT Rule 4.17, see "Practical advice" on page 5.

PCT INFORMATION UPDATE

AM Armenia (telephone and fax numbers)

The telephone and fax numbers of the Armenian Patent Office have changed, as follows:

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telephone: (374–1) 52 06 73, 56 14 04 fax:

(374-1) 15 18 23, 56 11 26

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (AM))

AU Australia (types of protection)

In international applications filed on or after 24 May 2001, it will no longer be possible to apply for a petty patent in Australia. As from that date, the types of protection available via the PCT in Australia will be, as follows:

patents, patents of addition

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (AU))

PCT MATERIALS ON INTERNET

FUL	NATERIALS ON INTERNET					
(http://ww	/w.wipo.int/pct/en/index.html)					
PCT InfoLine an	d contacts					
Filing PCT appli						
- Basic Facts a	bout the PCT					
- PCT forms						
- Direct filing o	of PCT applications with the					
- PCT Applican	Bureau as PCT receiving Office					
	ice published in the PCT Newsletter					
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PCT legal texts						
- About the Tre	eaty					
	Patent Cooperation Treaty, Regula-					
	ninistrative Instructions					
- PCT Receivin	g Office Guidelines onal Search Guidelines					
	onal Preliminary Examination					
Guidelines						
- Ratification s	ituation					
PCT Gazette						
PCT News						
	ter (Nos. 01/1997-03/2001)					
	leases/updates					
- The PCT in 20 PCT seminars	JUU					
PCT meetings						
	y documents: 1997-2000					
- PCT Informal	Consultation Meeting on Electronic					
Filing (11-14	July 2000); draft legal frame-					
	hnical standards for PCT electronic					
filing						
	ee for Administrative and Legal					
Matters docu						
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PCT	INFORMATION LINE					
Telephone:	(41-22) 338 83 38					
Fax:	(41-22) 338 83 39					
E-mail:	pct.infoline@wipo.int					

CN China (fees)

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the China Intellectual Property Office as designated and elected Office, have changed:

for patent:	
application fee:	CNY 900
fee for priority claims, per claim:	[no change]
maintenance fee:	[no change]
examination fee:	CNY 2,500
for utility model:	
application	
fee:	CNY 500
fee for priority claims, per claim:	[no change]

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. II/A, National Chapter, Summary (CN))

DZ Algeria (mailing address)

The mailing address of the Algerian National Institute of Industrial Property has changed, as follows:

mailing address:

B.P. 403 Alger-Gare, Algeria

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (DZ))

EP European Patent Office (fees)

As from 6 March 2001, there will be a change in the equivalent amount in GBP, GRD and SEK of the following fee, payable to the European Patent Office as receiving Office:

transmittal fee: see footnote 8 of the fee tables

FI Finland (requirements concerning agent; special requirements)

There has been a change in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland as receiving Office and as designated and elected Office, as follows:

who can act as agent?

any natural or legal person resident in the European Economic Area

There has been a change in the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* for entry into the national phase before that Office as designated and elected Office, as follows:

"deed of transfer where the applicant is not the inventor"

should be replaced by:

"statement justifying the applicant's right to the invention where the applicant is not the inventor or the only inventor"

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (FI); and Vol. II/A, National Chapter, Summary (FI))

IN India (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail addresses)

The Indian Patent Office has notified changes in the location and mailing address of its branch office in Chennai, in the telephone and fax numbers of its branch office in New Delhi, and has notified the e-mail addresses of its branch offices in New Delhi and Mumbai, as follows:

location and mailing address:

C-Wing Rajaji Bhavan Besant Nagar Chennai 600 090, India

telephone:

New Delhi: (91-11) 578 25 32, 571 62 09, 574 72 45

fax:

New Delhi: (91-11) 576 62 04

e-mail:

New Delhi: delhipatent@rediffmail.com Mumbai: patmum@vsnl.net

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (IN))

JP Japan (name of Office; fees)

The name of the Japanese Patent Office has changed to:

Japan Patent Office

As from 1 April 2001, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the following fees payable in JPY to that

Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount of the PCT-EASY fee reduction:

basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30, designation fee and PCT-EASY fee reduction: see Table I(a) and footnotes

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (JP); and Vol. I/B, Annex C (JP))

KR Republic of Korea (fees)

As from 1 April 2001, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the following fees payable in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount of the PCT-EASY fee reduction:

basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30, designation fee and PCT-EASY fee reduction: see Table I(a) and footnotes

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (KR))

KZ Kazakhstan (e-mail address)

The e-mail address of the Kazakh Patent Office has changed, as follows:

e-mail: kazpat@nursat.kz

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (KZ))

SE Sweden (requirements concerning agent; fees; special requirements)

There has been a change in the requirement of the Swedish Patent Office as to whether an agent is required by it as receiving Office, as follows:

is an agent required by the receiving Office?

no, if the applicant resides in Sweden

may be required if he is a non-resident

There has also been a change in the requirement as to who can act as agent before it as receiving Office, and as designated and elected Office, as follows:

who can act as agent? any natural or legal person

As from 1 April 2001, there will be a change in the amount of the following fee, payable in SEK to that Office as

receiving Office:

transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

That Office has withdrawn the appointment of an agent as one of its special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* for entry into the national phase.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (SE); and Vol. II/C, National Chapter, Summary (SE))

SK Slovakia (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers)

The location and mailing address, as well as the telephone and fax numbers of the Industrial Property Office of Slovakia have changed, as follows:

location and mailing address:

Švermova 43 P.O. Box 7 974 04 Banská Bystrica 4 Slovakia

telephone: (421-88) 430 01 00

fax: (421-88) 413 25 67

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (SK))

TZ United Republic of Tanzania (name of Office; location; telephone and fax numbers)

The name of the Office, the location, as well as the telephone and fax numbers of the Business Registrations and Licensing Agency, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, of the United Republic of Tanzania has changed, as follows:

name of Office:

Business Registrations and Licensing Agency, Ministry of Industry and Trade

location:

Co-operative Bldg., 4th floor, Lumumba Street Dar es Salaam United Republic of Tanzania

telephone: (255–22) 218 01 39 218 00 48, 218 03 85, 218 01 41

fax: (255-22) 218 03 71

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (TZ))

Languages accepted for international search and preliminary examination (Japan Patent Office)

The languages accepted by the Japan Patent Office as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority are now Japanese, and, where the international application is filed with the Japan Patent Office or the receiving Office of, or acting for, any Contracting State that the Authority will specify, English.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes D (JP) and E (JP))

Search fee and other fees relating to international search (Australian Patent Office, Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Swedish Patent Office and United States Patent and Trademark Office)

As from 6 March 2001, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in GBP, GRD and SEK for an international search carried out by the European Patent Office, and a change in the amount payable in SEK for an international search carried out by the Swedish Patent Office, as indicated in Table I(b). There will also be a change, as from the same date, in the amount of the additional search fee payable to the Swedish Patent Office, as follows:

additional search fee: SEK 8,690

As from 1 April 2001, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in KRW for international searches carried out by the Australian Patent Office and the Austrian Patent Office; in CAD, ISK and JPY for an international search carried out by the European Patent Office; in ISK for an international search carried out by the Swedish Patent Office; and in NZD for an international search carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as indicated in Table I(b).

As from 15 April 2001, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in ZAR for an international search carried out by the Austrian Patent Office, as indicated in Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex D (AT, AU, EP, SE, US))

Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (European Patent Office and Swedish Patent Office)

As from 6 March 2001 there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in GBP, GRD and SEK for an international preliminary examination carried out by the European Patent Office, as indicated in Table II.

As from 1 April 2001 there will be a change in the amount payable in SEK for an international preliminary examination carried out by the Swedish Patent Office, as indicated in Table II. There will also be a change, as from the same date, in the amount of the additional preliminary examination fee payable to that Office, as follows:

additional preliminary examination fee: SEK 5,000

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex E (EP and SE))

Handling fee (Japan Patent Office and Korean Intellectual Property Office)

As from 1 April 2001, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the handling fee, payable in JPY to the Japan Patent Office and in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as International Preliminary Examining Authorities, as indicated in Table II.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex E (JP and KR))

PCT STATISTICS— 1 January to 31 December 2000 corrigendum

Note that the total number of applications received which appeared in the table "PCT filings by country of origin (2000)" on page 5 of *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2001 should read 90,948 instead of 74,023. Also, the figure for Germany should read 12,039 instead of 12,029, and the figure for "other countries" should read 11,611 instead of 11,621.

PRACTICAL ADVICE

Filing of declarations under new PCT Rule 4.17 (second part)

Q: In connection with the new procedure whereby it is possible to include certain

declarations in the request for the purposes of the designated Offices in the national phase: (a) If I forget to submit a declaration with the request, can I submit it later, and if so, when and where should I send it? (b) Is the new procedure applicable also to applications filed before 1 March 2001? (c) How do I decide which declarations I should file?

A: It is recalled that, with effect from 1 March 2001, it is possible, under new PCT Rule 4.17, to include certain declarations in the international application for the purposes of the designated/elected Offices in the national phase (see tear-out sheets in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 01/2001 and 02/2001, as well as the "Practical advice" on page 8 of *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2001).

(a) If you forget to submit a declaration with the request, or if you cannot submit it at the time of filing the international application for any other reason, you may add it later by way of a notice submitted to the International Bureau (IB) before the completion of technical preparations for international publication (new PCT Rule 26 ter.1 actually provides that the time limit is 16 months from the priority date, provided that any such notice received by the IB after the expiration of that time limit will be considered to have been received on the last day of that time limit if it reaches the IB before the technical preparations for international publication have been completed). Any such notice should consist of a separate sheet containing the declaration (for example, a copy of the relevant Box of the request form (Boxes Nos. VIII (i) to (v))), and an accompanying letter (see new Section 216 of the Administrative Instructions). Upon receipt of the notice, the IB will inform you, as well as the receiving Office and the International Searching Authority, that the (added) declaration has been received. The declaration will either be processed, if it is received before the expiration of the time limit under new PCT Rule 26ter.1, or if it is received by the IB after the expiration of that time limit, the IB will notify you of the need to submit the declaration directly to the designated/elected Office(s) concerned. In the case where the declaration which is furnished outside the applicable time limit is a declaration of inventorship (referred to in new PCT

Rule 4.17(iv)) for the purposes of the United States of America (US) designation, containing at least one signature, it will be returned to the applicant. (See new Section 419 of the *Administrative Instructions*).

If you mistakenly submit a declaration under new PCT Rule 26*ter*.1 to the receiving Office instead of the IB, that Office will transmit it to the IB and the declaration will be considered to have been received by the IB on the date of receipt marked by the receiving Office (see new Section 317 of the *Administrative Instructions*).

(b) Although it was not possible to include or add any declarations under PCT Rule 4.17 to any international application before the entry into force of the new Rules on 1 March 2001, new PCT Rule 26*ter*.1 applies to international applications filed before 1 March 2001, to the extent that you may add a declaration within the prescribed time limit to an international application filed before 1 March 2001, provided that the 16-month time limit expires on or after 1 March 2001; new PCT Rule 4.17 applies in respect of any such added declaration.

(c) Your decision as to which declarations to file will depend on the States you designate and, in particular, on the States in which the application concerned is expected to enter the national phase. For this purpose, it may be useful to consult the relevant National Chapter Summaries of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. II, available on the Internet at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/index.html

which indicate, for each designated Office, the special requirements under PCT Rule 51 bis which need to be fulfilled. through various declarations, statements or documents, for the purposes of the national phase. In the near future, you will also be able to consult a cumulative table, currently under preparation in consultation with the designated Offices, which will indicate the declarations provided under new PCT Rule 4.17 and the designated Offices for the purposes of which those declarations may be submitted. However, vou should be aware that some States have informed the International Bureau of the incompatibility of certain of the new/

amended Rules with their national law. A list of the designated Offices concerned, and the Rules which are incompatible with their national laws, was included on page 2 of *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2001. If such an incompatibility exists with the law applied by any of the designated Offices, however, nothing prevents you from making declarations under PCT Rule 4.17 in respect of the States concerned, but the relevant Offices will not be obliged to accept them and may require further documents or evidence.

If you intend to enter the national phase in the US, the United States Patent and Trademark Office requires a declaration of inventorship signed by the inventor(s); in order to comply with this national law requirement, you may make this declaration under new PCT Rule 4.17(iv) in the international phase. Note also that a declaration as to the identity of the inventor (new PCT Rule 4.17(i)) (intended for the purposes of designated States other than US) need not be made if the name and address of the inventor are otherwise indicated in the request, or if a declaration as to the applicant's entitlement to apply for and be granted a patent (new PCT Rule 4.17(ii)) is, in any case, to be filed. In the latter case, the declaration as to the identity of the inventor can be combined with it, in which case the corresponding statement will need to be changed (see new Section 212(b) of the Administrative Instructions).

It should be understood that the declarations under PCT Rule 4.17(ii) to (iv) relate only to the situation as at the international filing date, and cannot be used to notify changes concerning the inventor or applicant which occur after the international filing date-the procedure under PCT Rule 92*bis* should continue to be used in the case of such changes. Also, bear in mind that making a declaration under PCT Rule 4.17 may not be the most ideal way of furnishing evidence if a situation regarding applicants or inventors is quite complex, such that the standardized wording of the relevant declaration is not applicable—it may be best dealt with upon entry into the national phase when you may be able to furnish a declaration more tailored to the circumstances of the international application concerned.

PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR							
Dates and Language of seminar		Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers				
20 March 2001 Paris (FR)	French	PCT presentation for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon	Fondation Nationale pour le Droit de l'Entreprise (FNDE) and Association Française des Spécialistes en Propriété Industrielle de l'Industrie (ASPI) (Mrs. Heuzé) Tel: (33–1) 42 66 18 19 Fax: (33–1) 42 66 17 37				
21–22 March 2001 Milan (IT)	English	PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Ms. Eriksson and Mr. Reischle	Ordine Consulenti Proprietà Industriale and the Association of Patent Attorneys in Industry (AICIPI) Tel/Fax: (39–2) 55 18 51 44 E-mail: consiglio@ordine-brevetti.it				
26 March 2001 Beijing (CN)	Chinese/ English	WIPO National Roving Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Wang, Mr. Zhao and Mr. Bartels	State Intellectual Property Office (Mr. Ma Lianyuan) Tel: (86–10) 62 01 32 76 Fax: (86–10) 62 01 96 15				
27–28 March 2001 Antigua, Guatemala	Promotion of the PCT in Latin (Guatema American Countries Tradema WIPO speakers: Mr. Rubio, Office an Mr. Carrasco Pradas and Cooperat Mr. Hernández Vigaud (Licencia Tel: (50		Registry of Intellectual Property (Guatemala), the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, the European Patent Office and the International Cooperation Agency (Spain) (Licenciado Javier Guzmán Ulloa) Tel: (502) 230 18 25/22 Fax: (502) 230 16 94				
28 (p.m.)–29 March 2001 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon	Centre Paul Roubier (Mrs. Audi) Tel: (33–4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33–4) 78 33 58 96				
29 March 2001 Shanghai (CN)	Chinese/ English	WIPO National Roving Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Wang, Mr. Zhao and Mr. Bartels	State Intellectual Property Office (Mr. Ma Lianyuan) Tel: (86–10) 62 01 32 76 Fax: (86–10) 62 01 96 15				
2–3 April 2001 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Eriksson	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk				
4–5 April 2001 London (GB)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Eriksson	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk				
6 April 2001 London (GB)	EnglishPCT-EASY workshop WIPO speaker: Ms. FeatherbyManagement Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail:		Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24				

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	PCT SEMINAR CALENDAR [continued]								
Dates and Location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers						
6–7 April 2001 Concord, New Hampshire (US)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys and patent administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Franklin Pierce Law Center (Ms. Carol Ruh) Tel: (1–603) 228 19 63, ext. 1108 Fax: (1–603) 224 33 42 E-mail: cruh@fplc.edu						
18–19 April 2001 Havana (CU)	Spanish	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Hernández Vigaud	Cuban Industrial Property Office (Licenciada América N. Santos Riveras) Tel: (537) 61 01 85/61 36 02 Fax: (537) 33 56 10 E-mail: ocpi@ocpi.cu						
20 April 2001 Villa Clara (CU)	Spanish	Introductory seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Hernández Vigaud	Cuban Industrial Property Office (Licenciada América N. Santos Riveras) Tel: (537) 61 01 85/61 36 02 Fax: (537) 33 56 10 E-mail: ocpi@ocpi.cu						
22–24 April 2001 Palm Harbor, Florida (US)	English	Advanced PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1–804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1–804) 296 39 99						
26–28 April 2001 Palm Harbor, Florida (US)	English	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Patent Resources Group, Inc. Tel: (1–804) 296 39 00 Fax: (1–804) 296 39 99						
26–27 April 2001 Oslo (NO)									
8 May 2001 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de						
9–10 May 2001 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar for patent administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de						
11 May 2001 Munich (DE)	German	PCT-EASY training	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de						
16–17 May 2001 Paris (FR)	French	Basic seminar on PCT procedures	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Mrs. Christiane Sadrin) Tel: (33–1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33–1) 42 93 63 52						
12–13 June 2001 Paris (FR)	French	Advanced seminar on PCT procedures	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Mrs. Christiane Sadrin) Tel: (33–1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33–1) 42 93 63 52						

PCT FEE TABLES

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of 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 (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The total amount of the basic fee and designation fee may be reduced by CHF 200 under certain circumstances where the request is prepared using the PCT-EASY software; see footnote 2 for details. A 75% reduction in the basic fee, the supplement per sheet over 30, the designation fee and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States; see footnote 12 for details. (Note that if both the CHF 200 reduction and the 75% reduction are applicable, the 75% reduction is calculated *after* the CHF 200 reduction.) The key to the abbreviations used and the footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

RO	Transmittal fee ¹			sic fee ^{1,2,3} CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4,5} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁶
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	650	15	140	na	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	382	9	82	117	EP RU
АР	USD (or eq in local	30 currency)	USD	382	9	82	117	AT EP SE
AT	ATS	700	ATS	5,627.96	123.84	1,210.91	1,733.80	EP
AU	AUD	100	AUD	665	15	144	205	AU
AZ	AZM eq USI plus mailing c		USD	382	9	82	n a	EP RU
BA	DEM	50	DEM	799.93	17.60	172.11	246.43	EP
BE	BEF	1,500	BEF	16,499	363	3,550	5,083	EP
BG	BGL	60	BGL	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP RU
BR	BRR	236	BRR	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	AT EP SE US
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD	382	9	82	n a	EP RU
BZ	BZD	220	USD	382	9	82	117	EP
СА	CAD	200	CAD	562	13	121	173	EP
СН	CHF	100	CHF	650	15	140	200	EP
CN	CNY	500	CNY	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	CN
CR	USD	175	USD	382	9	82	117	EP ES
CU	USD (or CU	P eq)200	USD (d	or CUP eq)382	9	82	n a	AT EP ES RU
СҮ	СҮР	75	СҮР	235	5	50	n a	EP
CZ	СΖК	1,500	сzк	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
DE	DEM	175	DEM	799.93	17.60	172.11	246.43	EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	3,060	70	660	940	EP SE
DZ	DZD ⁷	_	CHF	650	15	140	n a	ΑΤ ΕΡ
EA	RUR eq USD	50	USD	382	9	82	117	EP RU
EE	EEK	1,800	EEK	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
EP ⁸	EUR	102	EUR	409	9	88	126	EP
ES	ESP	10,040	ESP	68,052	1,497	14,642	20,965	EP ES
FI	FIM	800	FIM	2,431.80	53.51	523.22	749.16	EP SE
FR	FRF or EUR	400 60.98	FRF or EUR	2,682.86 409	59.04 9	577.24 88	826.51 126	EP
GB	GBP	55	GBP	264	6	56	81	EP
GE	GEL ⁹	10	USD	382	9	82	117	EP RU

Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES (as at 1 March 2001, unless otherwise indicated)

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹			sic fee ^{1,2,3} CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4,5} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁶
GH	GHC ¹⁰ 2,500 or 5,000		USD	382	9	82	n a	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	GRD	39,500	GRD	136,000	3,000	29,000	42,000	EP
HR	HRK	200	HRK	eq C HF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
ΗU	HUF ¹¹	10,000	HUF	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹²	100	CHF	650	15	140	200	See footnote 13
	or USD ¹²	60	or USD	382	9	82	117	
ID	IDR	500,000	IDR	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	AU EP RU
IE	IEP or EUR	60 76.18	IEP or EUR	322.11 409	7.09 9	69.31 88	99.23 126	EP
IL	ILS	437	USD	382	9	82	117	EP US
IN	INR (filing by in	5,000 dividual: 1,500)	USD	382	9	82	117	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK	5,500	ISK	30,800	700	6,600	na	EP SE
IT	ITL	60,000	ITL	791,934	17,426	170,392	n a	EP
JP	JPY 18,000		JPY (from 1.	40,700 4.01: 46,200)	940 (1,100)	8,800 <i>(10,000</i>)	12,500 <i>(14,000</i>)	EP JP
KE		(ES equiv)30	USD	382	9	82	n a	AT AU CNEP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100		USD	382	9	82	117	EP RU
KP	KPW eq CHF 50		KPW	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	ATRU
KR	KRW	45,000		425,800 4.01:500,000)	9,800 (12,000)	91,700 <i>(108,000</i>)	131,000 <i>(154,000)</i>	AT AU KR
ΚZ	κzτ ⁷	—	USD	382	9	82	117	EP RU
LR	USD	45	USD	382	9	82	na	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM ⁷ —		LSM	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	ATEP
LT	LTL	320	USD	382	9	82	na	EP RU
LU	LUF/BEF	800	LUF/B		363	3,550	na	EP
LV MA	LVL	47.20	USD CHF	382 650	9 15	82 140	117	EP RU AT EP RU SE
MC	FRF	None 320	FRF	2,682.86	15 59.04	577.24	n a n a	EP RUSE
MD	MDL ⁷	180	USD	382	9	82	117	EPRU
МК	MKD	2,750	MKD	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
MN		None	CHF	. 650	. 15	140	200	EP RU
MW	MWK	2,000	MWK	28,500	700	6,000	8,800	EP
мх	MXP ³ eq	USD 200	MXP	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	na	EP ES SE US
NL	NLG	110	NLG	901.32	19.83	193.93	277.67	EP
NO	NOK	500	NOK	3,380	80	730	1,040	EP SE
NZ	NZD	180	NZD	923	21	199	na	AU EP US
PL	PLZ	280	PLZ	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	n a	EP
PT	PTE	4,650	PTE	81,997.10	1,804.30	17,642.40	25,260.70	EP
RO	ROL	300,000	CHF	650	15	140	200	ATEPRU

Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued] (as at 1 March 2001, unless otherwise indicated)

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹			sic fee ^{1,2,3} CHF 650)	Supplement per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	Designation fee ^{1,2,3,4,5} (CHF 140)	PCT-EASY reduction ² (CHF 200)	Competent ISA(s) ⁶
RU	RUR	294	USD	382	9	82	117	EP RU
SD	SDP	50	SDP	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	na	EP
SE	SEK (from 1.4.01	1,000 1, <i>200)</i>	SEK	3,540	80	760	1,090	EP SE
SG	SGD	135	SGD	638	15	137	196	AT AU EP
SI	SIT	22,000	SIT	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
SK	SKK	1,600	SKK	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	eq CHF 200	EP
ΤJ	TJR ⁷	—	USD	382	9	82	na	EP RU
тм	USD ⁷	_	USD	382	9	82	117	EP RU
TR	CHF	100	CHF	650	15	140	200	EP
TT	TTD	750	USD	382	9	82	117	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH	255	USD	382	9	82	na	EP RU
US	USD	240	USD	382	9	82	117	EP US
υz	USD ⁷	_	USD	382	9	82	117	EP RU
VN	VND eq USD	150	VND	eq CHF 650	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 140	na	AT AU EP RU SE
YU	YUD	600	CHF	650	15	140	200	EP
ZA	ZAR	500	ZAR (from 1.	2,620 4.01: 3,152)	60 (7 <i>2</i>)	560 <i>(680)</i>	800 <i>(972)</i>	AT AU EP US
zw	ZWD	1,000	ZWD	eq USD 382	eq USD 9	eq USD 82	eq USD 117	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(a) — TRANSMITTAL, BASIC AND DESIGNATION FEES [continued]
(as at 1 March 2001, unless otherwise indicated)

 Table I(b) — SEARCH FEES

 (as at 1 March 2001, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA		Searcl	ch fee ¹
AT	ATS 2,200 CHF 2 * (from 1.4.01: KRW188,0 ** (from 15.4.01: ZAR 1,1		SGD 247 USD 170 ZAR** 1,022
AU	AUD 800 CHF 7 ZAR 3,150 *(from 1.4	80 KRW *496,000 01: KRW 555,000)	NZD 990 SGD 749 USD 510
CN	CNY 800 CHF 1	50 USD 100	
EP ¹⁴	ATS 13,003.48 DEM 1,8 BEF 38,121 D 846 CAD** 1,249 ESP 157,2 CHF 1,460 FIM 5,6 * (from 6.3.01: GBP 6	18.71 ISK** 70,000 24 GRD 322,009	JPY** 90,600 NOK 7,800 SGD 1,457 314,700 LUF 38,121 NZD 1,900 USD 5 MWK 62,000 PTE 189,455.50 ZAR** 6,040 SEK 8,690) 36,000 <
ES	** (from 1.4.01: CAD 1,3 ESP 157,235 CHF 1,4		JPY 103,000 ZAR 7,000) USD 846
JP	JPY 72,000 CHF 1,1		
KR		73 USD 110	
RU ¹⁵	USD 300 CHF 4	50	
SE	SEK* 8,220 CHF 1,4 USD 846 * (from 6.3.01: SEK 8,6 ** (from 1.4.01: ISK 75,0	90)	FIM 5,618.71 ISK**70,000 NOK 7,800
US		HF 1,064 684 ¹⁶ ZD 1,600 1,030 ¹⁶)	NZD* 1,714 1,102 ¹⁶ ZAR 5,500 3,500 ¹⁶

	(as at 1 March 2001, unless of					
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ¹⁷	Handling fee ^{3,17} (CHF 233)				
AT	ATS 2,200	ATS 2,022.76				
AU	AUD 450	AUD 238				
CN	CNY 800	CNY eq CHF 233				
EP ¹⁴	EUR 1,533 DKK 11,500 IEP 1,207.34 ATS 21,094.54 ESP 255,070 ITL 2,968,302 BEF 61,841 FIM 9,114.80 LUF 61,841 CHF 2,380 FRF 10,055.82 NLG 3,378.29 CYP 904 GBP* 927 PTE 307,338.90 DEM 2,998.29 GRD*510,500 SEK 13,340 *(from<6.3.01:	EUR 147 DKK 1,100 IEP 115.77 ATS 2,022.76 ESP 24,459 ITL 284,632 BEF 5,930 FIM 874.02 LUF 5,930 CHF 233 FRF 964.26 NLG 323.95 CYP 84 GBP 94 PTE 29,470.90 DEM 287.51 GRD 49,000 SEK 1,270				
JP	JPY 28,000	JPY 14,600 (from 1.4.01: JPY 16,600)				
KR	KRW 150,000	KRW 152,600 (from 1.4.01: KRW 179,000)				
RU ¹⁵	USD 200 ¹⁸ 300 ¹⁹	USD 137				
SE	SEK 4,200 (from 1.4.01: SEK 5,000)	SEK 1,270				
US	USD 490 750 ²⁰	USD 137				

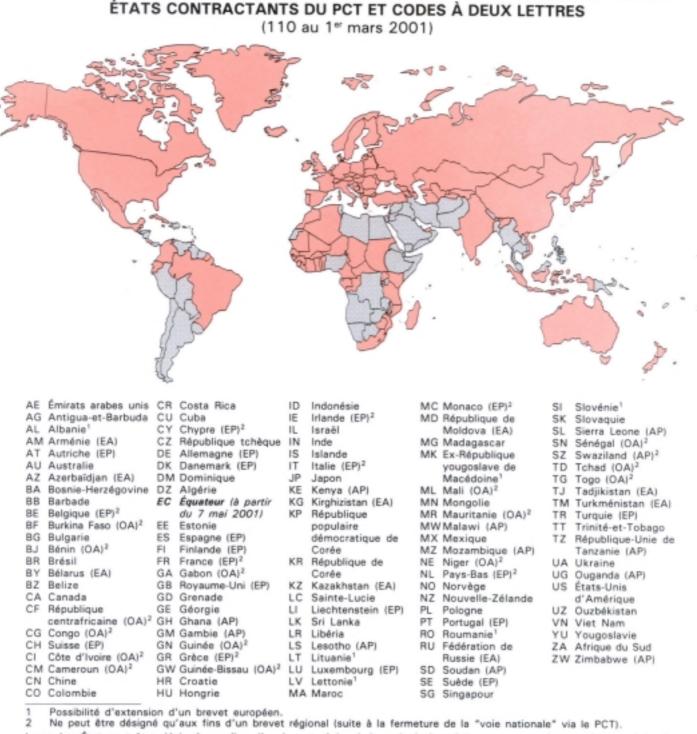
Table II — PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION FEES as at 1 March 2001 unless otherwise indicated

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

eq	equivalent of	BYR	Belarussian rouble		Georgian lari		Lesotho loti	SEK	Swedish krona
IPEA	International Preliminary		Belize dollar		Ghanaian cedi	LTL	Lithuanian litas		Singapore dollar
		CAD	Canadian dollar		Greek drachma	LUF	Luxembourg franc		Slovenian tolar
ISA	International Searching	CHF	Swiss franc	HRK	Croatian kuna	LVL	Latvian lat	SKK	Slovak koruna
	Authority	CNY	Yuan renminbi	HUF	Hungarian forint	MAD	Moroccan dirham	TJR	Tajik rouble
n a	not applicable	CUP	Cuban convertible peso	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MDL	Moldovan leu	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago
RO	receiving Office	CYP	Cyprus pound	IEP	Irish pound		Macedonian denar		dollar
	-	CZK	Czech koruna	ILS	New Israel shekel	MWK	Malawian kwacha		Ukrainian hryvnia
Currei	ncies:	DEM	Deutsche mark	INR	Indian rupee	MXP	Mexican peso	USD	US dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	DKK	Danish krone	ISK	Icelandic krona	NLG	Netherlands guilder	VND	Vietnamese dong
AMD	Armenian dram	DZD	Algerian dinar	ITL	Italian lira	NOK	Norwegian krone	YUD	Yugoslavian dinar
ATS	Austrian schilling	EEK	Estonian kroon	JPY	Japanese yen	NZD	New Zealand dollar	ZAR	South African rand
AUD	Australian dollar	ESP	Spanish peseta	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PTE	Portuguese escudo		
BEF	Belgian franc	FIM	Finnish markka	KPW	KP won	ROL	Romanian leu		
BGL	Bulgarian lev	FRF	French franc	KRW	KR won	RUR	Russian rouble		
BRR	Bražilian real	GBP	Pound sterling	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SDP	Sudanese pound		
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Footnotes to fee tables:

- Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
 The total amount of the basic fee and designation fee is reduced by 200 Swiss francs where: (a) the request is presented as a computer print-out prepared using the PCT-EASY software; (b) the request is filed together with a computer diskette, prepared using that software, containing a copy in
- prepared using the PCT-EASY software; (b) the request is filed together with a computer diskette, prepared using that software, containing a copy in electronic form of the data contained in the request and of the abstract; and (c) the international application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept the filing of international applications containing requests in PCT-EASY format together with PCT-EASY diskettes. This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belize, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Dominica, Ecuador (from 7 May 2001), Estonia, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Poland, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Slovakia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia or Zimbabwe. For further details, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/1995, cover page, No. 11/1995, page 6, and No. 05/1996, cover page. No. 05/1996, cover page. The maximum number of designation fees payable is six.
- The confirmation fee payable under PCT Rules 4.9(c) and 15.5 is 50% of the designation fee due (taking into account any applicable 75% reduction;
- see footnote 3). For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- The amounts are not yet known or, where known, are subject to periodical revision. The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable schedule of fees. The amounts of the transmittal fee in currencies other than EUR are as follows: ATS 1,403.55; BEF 4,115; CHF 160; CYP 60; DEM 199.49; DKK 770; ESP 16,971; FIM 606.46; FRF 669.08; GBP 62 (from 6.3.01: GBP 67); GRD 34,000 (from 6.3.01: GRD 34,757); IEP 80.33; ITL 197,500; LUF 4,115; NLG 224.78; PTE 20,449.20; SEK 890 (from 6.3.01: SEK 940). The amounts in those currencies of the basic fee, supplement per sheet over 30 and designation fee are the same as those indicated for the receiving Offices of the respective States, that is RO/AT, BE, CH, etc.
- This fee is reduced by 80% where the applicant is a natural person. The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to 10 entities employing 25 persons or more.
- A supplement of HUF 500 is also payable for each claim in excess of 10. This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated in footnote 3. The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an international application filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the 13
- 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. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (IB). The search fee and the preliminary examination fee are reduced by 75% if the application is filed by a natural person who is a national of a State not 14 The splicant may, instead of paying the USD amount, pay the equivalent amount in RUR at the exchange rate application has been filed and the basic filing fee for that US application has been paid.
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- Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
 Payable when the international search report was established by the Russian Patent Office.
- In all cases where footnote 18 does not apply.
- Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C.) 20

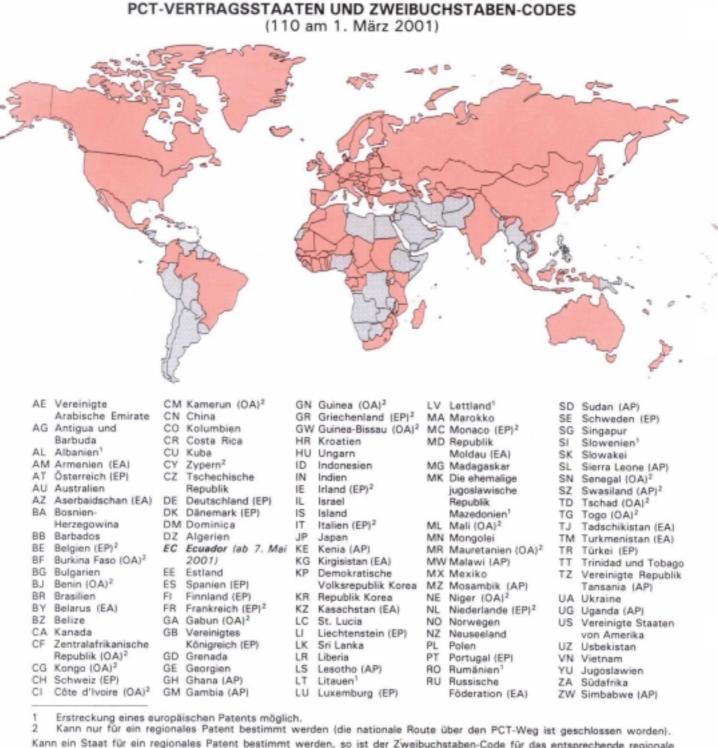


Lorsqu'un État peut être désigné aux fins d'un brevet régional, le code à deux lettres correspondant au brevet régional concerné est indiqué entre parenthèses (AP = brevet ARIPO, EA = brevet eurasien, EP = brevet européen, OA = brevet OAPI).

Important:

Cette liste comporte tous les États qui ont adhéré au PCT à la date qui figure ci-dessus. Un État dont le nom est indiqué en italique gras a adhéré au PCT mais n'était pas encore lié par le PCT à la date de publication de la dernière version du formulaire de requête. Lorsqu'un État a adhéré au PCT mais n'est pas encore lié par le PCT, la date à laquelle il deviendra lié figure entre parenthèses; il ne peut être désigné dans des demandes internationales déposées avant cette date. Si le déposant souhaite désigner aux fins d'un brevet national, un État qui est lié par le PCT à la date à laquelle il dépose la demande internationale mais qui ne figure pas dans le formulaire de requête, il doit l'ajouter dans le cadre n° V dudit formulaire en cochant la case appropriée.

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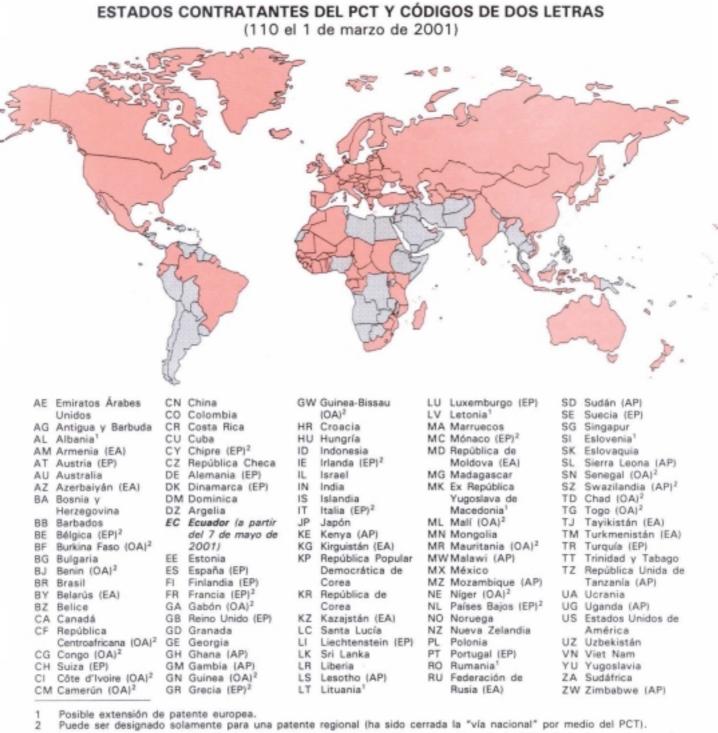


Kann ein Staat für ein regionales Patent bestimmt werden, so ist der Zweibuchstaben-Code für das entsprechende regionale Patent in Klammern angegeben (AP = ARIPO-Patent, EA = eurasisches Patent, EP = europäisches Patent, OA = OAPI-Patent).

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Cuando se puede designar un Estado para una patente regional, se indica entre paréntesis el código de dos letras respecto de la patente regional en cuestión (AP = patente ARIPO, EA = patente euroasiática, EP = patente europea, OA = patente OAPI).

Importante:

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1 Extension of European patent possible.

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