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Madam,
Sir,

I have pleasure in inviting your Office, in its capacity as an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), to the 18th session of the *Meeting of International Authorities Under the PCT (PCT/MIA)*, which will be held in Moscow, Russia, at the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Rospatent), from March 15 to 17, 2011, beginning at 10 a.m. The working language will be English.

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The draft agenda (document PCT/MIA/18/1) is enclosed. I invite your Office to provide comments on, or any further proposals for, the draft agenda. The International Bureau would appreciate receiving any such comments and proposals by February 1, 2011.

As for previous sessions, the working documents will be made available electronically; paper copies will be sent only upon request.

The address of Rospatent, where the meeting will take place, is Berezhkovskaya nab., 30-1, Moscow, 123995, Russian Federation. Further details of the venue, including recommended hotels, will be made available on the PCT/MIA electronic forum, which is accessible on WIPO's website at www.wipo.int/pct-mia (username: pctmia; password: miaforum).

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If you require assistance in obtaining visas and related items for travel to the Russian Federation, you are invited to contact Mr. Mikhail Faleev, Director, International Cooperation Department, Rospatent (e-mail: MFaleev@rupto.ru; fax: (+74 95) 243 33 37).

It would be appreciated if the names and titles of the representatives of your Office could be communicated to the International Bureau of WIPO by February 1, 2011, preferably by e-mail to pct.mia@wipo.int.

Yours sincerely,



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Director General

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MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITIES UNDER THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)

**Eighteenth Session
Moscow, March 15 to 17, 2011**

DRAFT AGENDA

prepared by the Secretariat

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