

PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

From the INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

PCT

INVITATION TO INDICATE COMPETENT INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITY

(PCT Rule 59.3(c)(ii) and
Administrative Instructions, Section 432)

To:

Date of mailing (day/month/year)		REPLY DUE 15 days from the above date of mailing or within the time limit applicable under Rule 54bis.1(a), whichever expires later
Applicant's or agent's file reference		
International application No.	International filing date (day/month/year)	Priority date (day/month/year)
Applicant		

1. ☐ a. The International Bureau has **received** directly from the applicant, on the date indicated below, a demand for international preliminary examination of the international application:
_____ (date of receipt by International Bureau)
- ☐ b. A receiving Office, International Searching Authority, or International Preliminary Examining Authority has transmitted to the International Bureau a demand for international preliminary examination of the international application, which it had received on:
_____ (date of receipt by Office or Authority)
2. The applicant is hereby **invited**, within the time limit indicated above, **to indicate the competent International Preliminary Examining Authority** to which the demand should be transmitted (Rule 59.3(c)(ii)).
- Failure to respond to this invitation**, within the time limit indicated above, will result in the International Bureau declaring that the demand will be considered not to have been submitted (Rule 59.3(d)).
3. The date of receipt indicated above has been marked on the demand; **the demand will, in accordance with Rule 59.3(e), be considered to have been received by the competent International Preliminary Examining Authority on that date of receipt.**
- ☐ **ATTENTION:** That date of receipt is **after** the expiration of 19 months from the priority date. Consequently, in respect of some Offices, the demand does not have the effect of postponing the entry into the national phase until 30 months from the priority date (or later in some Offices) (Article 39(1)) and the acts for entry into the national phase must therefore be performed within 20 months from the priority date (or later in some Offices). **However**, in respect of most other elected Offices, the time limit of 30 months (or later) may nevertheless apply. See the Annex to Form PCT/IB/301 and, for details about the applicable time limits, Office by Office, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Volume II, National Chapters and the WIPO Internet site.
- ☐ **ATTENTION:**
- ☐ That date of receipt is **after** the expiration of the applicable time limit under Rule 54bis.1(a). Any demand made after the expiration of said time limit shall be considered as if it had not been submitted and the International Preliminary Examining Authority shall so declare (Rule 54bis.1(b)).
- ☐ (If applicable) The applicant has already been informed accordingly by telephone, facsimile transmission or in person, on: _____

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