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- Indications of the particular kinds of protection desired if a designated State offers several kinds of protection for inventions, e.g., petty patents, utility models;
- Indications concerning the inventor.



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The Description (Article 5)

- Must disclose the invention in a manner sufficiently clear and complete for the invention to be carried out by a person skilled in the art.



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The Claims (Article 6)

- **Must define the subject matter of the invention for which protection is sought;**
- **Must be clear and concise;**
- **Must be fully supported by the description.**



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Drawings (Rule 7)

- **Are required only when necessary to understand the invention, e.g., a mechanical invention.**
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Physical Requirements of the international application (Rule 11)

- A4 (29.7 cm x 21 cm) size paper for all the sheets;
- Margin requirements for the sheets of text and drawings (Rule 11.6);
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 - 12 character maximum,
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Physical Requirements (continued)

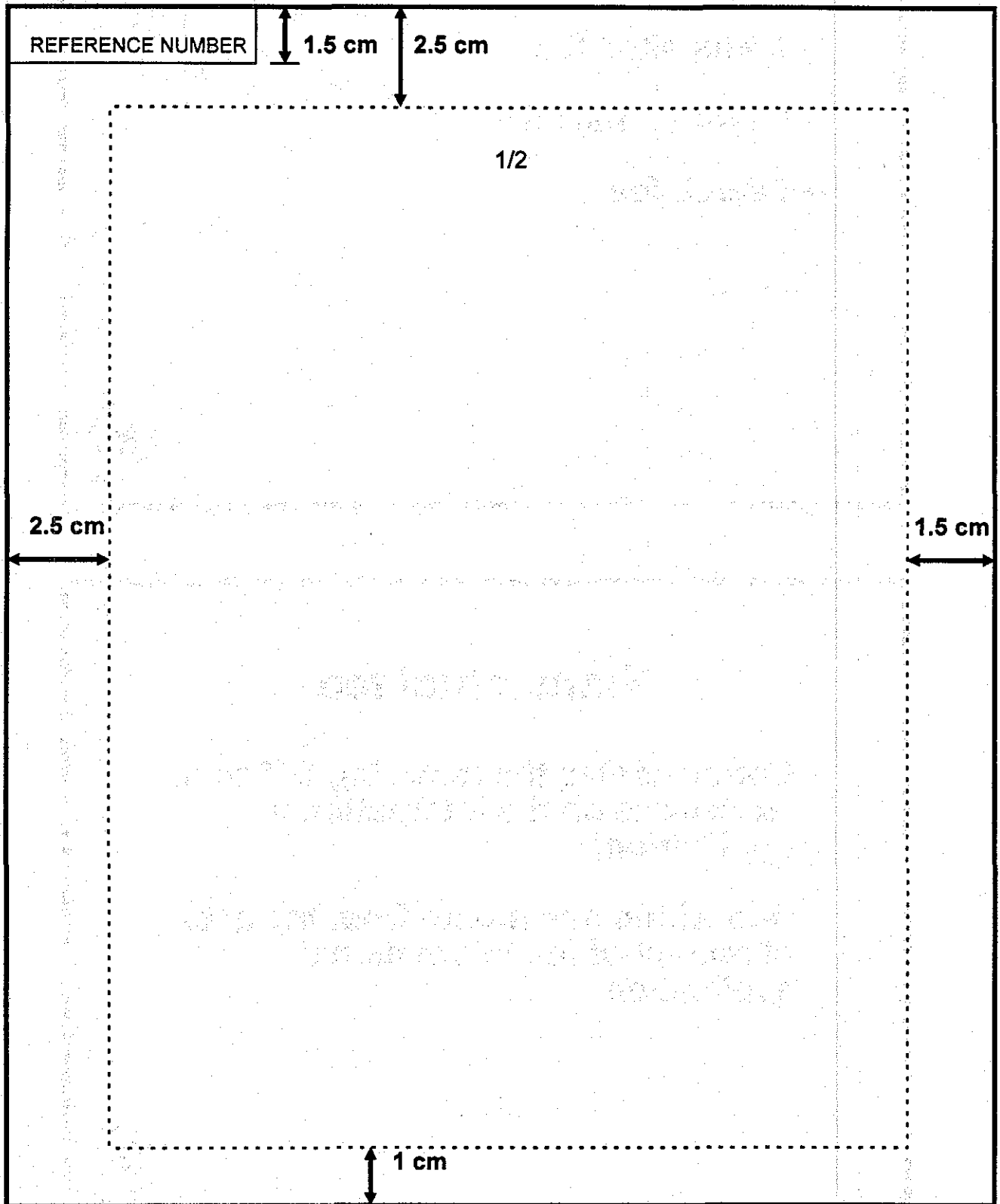
- Numbering of the sheets (Rule 11.7 and Sections 207 and 311)
 - centered at the top or bottom of the sheets, not in the margins;
 - 3 series of numbered sheets:
 - the request,
 - the description, claims and abstract,
 - the drawings.
- Special drawing requirements (Rule 11.13).



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Minimum Margin Requirements for Drawings (Rule 11.6(c))*

Sheet of A4 size paper



* Not drawn to scale

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- **Covers the cost of the work performed by the International Bureau; and**
- **Consists of:**
 - basic fee
 - basic supplemental fee for applications containing more than 30 pages
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When are International fees due?

- **Basic fee and basic supplemental fee due within one month of receipt of the international application.**
- **Designation fee due within one year from the priority date or one month from receipt of the international application, whichever is later.**



Lack of signature of an applicant/inventor when the US is designated

- **If an applicant/inventor for the US only refuses to sign the request, or cannot be found or reached after diligent effort, that inventor/applicant need not sign if:**
 - **a statement is furnished explaining the lack of signature to the satisfaction of the receiving Office (RO/US requires a submission complying with 37 CFR 1.425); and**
 - **the request is signed by at least one other applicant.**



International Applications Filed with the USPTO

- **The USPTO is a competent receiving Office where at least one applicant is a resident or national of the United States of America**
- **Language of filing.....English**
- **Number of copies required.....one**



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Electronic transmissions

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US

Competent receiving Office for nationals
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United States of America

Language in which international
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English

Number of copies required by the
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Competent International Searching
Authority:

United States Patent and Trademark Office or European Patent
Office

Competent International Preliminary
Examining Authority:

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Office for international applications for which the European Patent
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Fees payable to the receiving
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Transmittal fee:

Currency: US Dollars (USD)

USD 220

Basic fee:

USD 677

Supplement per sheet

over 30:

USD 13

Designation fee:

USD 164

Search fee:

See Annex D (United States Patent and Trademark Office or
European Patent Office)

Fee for priority
document (PCT
Rule 17.1(b)):

USD 15

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Continuation of Box No. III FURTHER APPLICANTS AND/OR (FURTHER) INVENTORS	
<i>If none of the following sub-boxes is used, this sheet is not to be included in the request.</i>	
Name and address: <i>(Family name followed by given name; for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country.)</i> RUDD, David 54 Harfield Street Wollongong, NSW 2500 Australia	This person is: <input type="checkbox"/> applicant only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> applicant and inventor <input type="checkbox"/> inventor only <i>(If this check-box is marked, do not fill in below)</i>
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This person is applicant for the purposes of: <input type="checkbox"/> all designated States <input type="checkbox"/> all designated States except the United States of America <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the United States of America only <input type="checkbox"/> the States indicated in the Supplemental Box	
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Name and address: <i>(Family name followed by given name; for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country.)</i> CRUZ, Jose 7-B, J.P. Rizal Street Project 4, Quezon City 1109 Philippines	This person is: <input type="checkbox"/> applicant only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> applicant and inventor <input type="checkbox"/> inventor only <i>(If this check-box is marked, do not fill in below)</i>
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Continuation of Box No. V

US: 09/987,654; 03 January 1995 (03.01.95)

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FEE CALCULATION SHEET Annex to the Request

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International application No.

Applicant's or agent's file reference 480-PCT-1

Date stamp of the receiving Office

Applicant WALSH AND COMPANY, et al.

CALCULATION OF PRESCRIBED FEES

1. TRANSMITTAL FEE 220 **T**

2. SEARCH FEE 430 **S**

International search to be carried out by US
(If two or more International Searching Authorities are competent in relation to the international application, indicate the name of the Authority which is chosen to carry out the international search.)

3. INTERNATIONAL FEE

Basic Fee

The international application contains 37 sheets

first 30 sheets 677 **b₁**

7 x 13 = 91 **b₂**
remaining sheets additional amount

Add amounts entered at b₁ and b₂ and enter total at B 768 **B**

Designation Fee

49 x 164 = 1804 **D**
number of designations fees payable (maximum 11) amount of designation fee

Add amounts entered at B and D and enter total at I 2572 **I**

(Applicants from certain States are entitled to a reduction of 75% of the international fee. Where the applicant is (or all applicants are) so entitled, the total to be entered at I is 25% of the sum of the amounts entered at B and D.)

4. FEE FOR PRIORITY DOCUMENT 15 **P**

5. TOTAL FEES PAYABLE
Add amounts entered at T, S, I and P. and enter total in the TOTAL box

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The designation fee is not paid at this time.

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 postal money order revenue stamps

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03 January 1996 (03.01.96)

Deposit Account Number

Date (day/month/year)

Signature John J. Smith
John J. Smith



Priority claim application can only be made by document

Box No. VI PRIORITY CLAIM Further priority claims are indicated in the Supplemental Box

The priority of the following earlier application(s) is hereby claimed:

	Country (in which, or for which, the application was filed)	Filing Date (day/month/year)	Application No.	Office of filing (only for regional or international application)
item (1)	US	03 January 1995 (03.01.95)	09/987,654	
item (2)	DE	12 June 1995 (12.06.95)	95999888.9	EP
item (3)	CH	28 August 1995 (28.08.95)	PCT/AU95/07777	AU

Mark the following check-box if the certified copy of the earlier application is to be issued by the Office which for the purposes of the present international application is the receiving Office (a fee may be required)

The receiving Office is hereby requested to prepare and transmit to the International Bureau a certified copy of the earlier application(s) identified above as item(s): (1)

Box No. VII INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

Choice of International Searching Authority (ISA) (If two or more International Searching Authorities are competent to carry out the international search, indicate the Authority chosen: the two-letter code may be used) ISA/ US

Earlier search Fill in where a search (international, international-type or other) by the International Searching Authority has already been carried out or requested and the Authority is now requested to base the international search, to the extent possible, on the results of that earlier search. Identify such search or request either by reference to the relevant application (or the translation thereof) or by reference to the search request.

Country (or regional Office): US Date (day/month/year): 03 January 1995 (03.01.95) Number: 09/987,654

Box No. VIII CHECK LIST

This international application contains the following number of sheets:

- 1. request : 5 sheets
- 2. description : 25 sheets
- 3. claims : 3 sheets
- 4. abstract : 1 sheets
- 5. drawings : 3 sheets
- Total : 37 sheets

This international application is accompanied by the item(s) marked below:

- 1. separate signed power of attorney
- 2. copy of general power of attorney
- 3. statement explaining lack of signature
- 4. priority document(s) identified in Box No. VI as item(s): (2)
- 5. fee calculation sheet
- 6. separate indications concerning deposited microorganisms
- 7. nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing (diskette)
- 8. other (specify):

Figure No. 2 of the drawings (if any) should accompany the abstract when it is published.

Box No. IX SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT OR AGENT

Next to each signature indicate the name of the person signing and the capacity in which the person signs (if such capacity is not obvious from reading the request)

Mary Jones
Mary JONES

J.B. Towker
J.B. TOWKER - Vice President, WALSH AND COMPANY

David Rudd
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James Silver
James SILVER

Jose Cruz
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4. Date of timely receipt of the required corrections under PCT Article 11(2):	
5. International Searching Authority specified by the applicant: <u>ISA/</u>	6. <input type="checkbox"/> Transmittal of search copy delayed until search fee is paid

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The following designations are hereby made under Rule 4.9(a) (mark the applicable check-boxes; at least one must be marked):

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- AP **ARIPO Patent:** KE Kenya, LS Lesotho, MW Malawi, SD Sudan, SZ Swaziland, UG Uganda and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Harare Protocol and of the PCT
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National Patent (if other kind of protection or treatment desired, specify on dotted line):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AZ Azerbaijan | <input type="checkbox"/> MW Malawi |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CZ Czech Republic | <input type="checkbox"/> SD Sudan |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> KE Kenya | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> US United States of America . . . continuation-in-part |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KG Kyrgyzstan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UZ Uzbekistan |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> KR Republic of Korea | Check-boxes reserved for designating States (for the purposes of a national patent) which have become party to the PCT after issuance of this sheet: |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LR Liberia | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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In addition to the designations made above, the applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b) all designations which would be permitted under the PCT except the designation(s) of _____
 The applicant declares that those additional designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not confirmed before the expiration of 15 months from the priority date is to be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant at the expiration of that time limit. (Confirmation of a designation consists of the filing of a notice specifying that designation and the payment of the designation and confirmation fees. Confirmation must reach the receiving Office within the 15-month time limit.)

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REQUEST

The undersigned requests that the present international application be processed according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

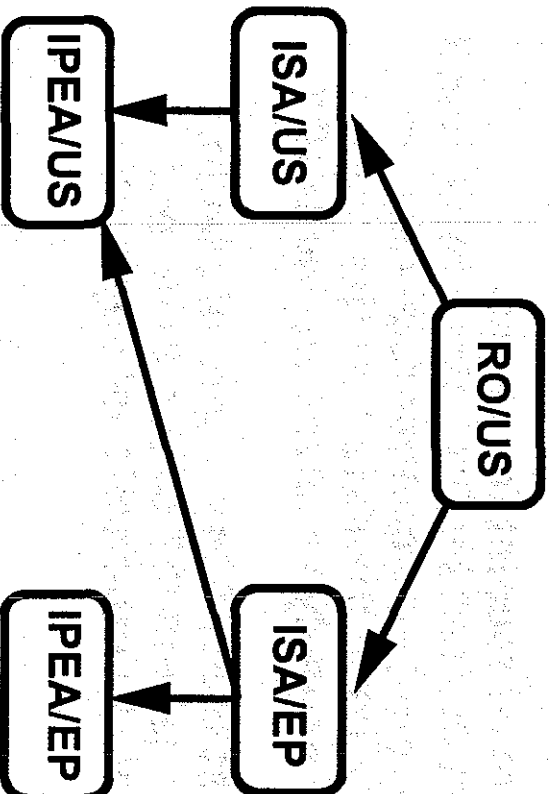
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International Application No.
International Filing Date
Name of receiving Office and "PCT International Application"

Applicant's or agent's file reference 480-PCT-1
(if desired)(12 characters maximum)

Box No. I TITLE OF INVENTION Weaving Machine	
Box No. II APPLICANT	
Name and address: <i>(Family name followed by given name, for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country.)</i> WALSH AND COMPANY 2500 Virginia Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20037 United States of America	<input type="checkbox"/> This person is also inventor. Telephone No. (202) 557-3054 Facsimile No. (202) 557-3100 Teleprinter No.
State (i.e. country) of nationality: US	State (i.e. country) of residence: US
This person is applicant for the purposes of: <input type="checkbox"/> all designated States <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> all designated States except the United States of America <input type="checkbox"/> the United States of America only <input type="checkbox"/> the States indicated in the Supplemental Box	
Box No. III FURTHER APPLICANT(S) AND/OR (FURTHER) INVENTOR(S)	
Name and address: <i>(Family name followed by given name, for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country.)</i> JONES, Mary 1600 South Eads Street Arlington, Virginia 22202 United States of America	This person is: <input type="checkbox"/> applicant only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> applicant and inventor <input type="checkbox"/> inventor only <i>(If this check-box is marked, do not fill in below.)</i>
State (i.e. country) of nationality: US	State (i.e. country) of residence: US
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Further applicants and/or (further) inventors are indicated on a continuation sheet.	
Box No. IV AGENT OR COMMON REPRESENTATIVE; OR ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	
The person identified below is hereby/has been appointed to act on behalf of the applicant(s) before the competent International Authorities as: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agent <input type="checkbox"/> common representative	
Name and address: <i>(Family name followed by given name, for a legal entity, full official designation. The address must include postal code and name of country.)</i> SMITH, John J.; HILLARD, Steven; MEYER, David 220 Jefferson Avenue Arlington, Virginia 22202 United States of America	Telephone No. (703) 545-2212 Facsimile No. (703) 545-2200 Teleprinter No.
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Search and Examination Choices for Applications Filed in the USPTO



An international application may be delivered to the RO/US using:

- **US Postal Service "Express Mail" provisions (37 CFR 1.10);**
- **Regular US Postal Service mail delivery;**
- **Hand carrying to the USPTO; or**
- **Commercial delivery service.**



According a receipt date using "Express Mail" provisions

- **Any paper, fee or correspondence will be considered as having been filed with the USPTO as of the date shown as the date of deposit with "Express Mail Postal Service to Addressee" of the USPS unless**
 - **the date of deposit is a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday within the District of Columbia**
 - **in which case the date will be the next subsequent date on which the USPTO is open for business.**



Search Fee

- **Compensates the International Searching Authority for the work it performs in establishing the international search report;**
- **Due within one month from the date of receipt of the international application.**



Signing the request (Rule 4.15)

- **Must be signed by all persons indicated as "applicant" and/or "applicant/inventor";**
- **Should not be signed by a person indicated as "inventor only".**
- **May be signed by an agent provided that a separate power of attorney signed by the applicant(s) is filed (either original power of attorney or copy of general power).**



Required Fees

- Transmittal fee
- International fees
- Search fee

Receiving Office
 WIPO - fees for P95
 designation fees



Transmittal fee

- Compensates the receiving Office for work done on the international application;
- Due within one month from the date of receipt of the international application.



The Abstract (Rule 8)

- **Consists of a concise summary of the disclosure of the invention as contained in the description, claims and drawings, preferably 50 to 150 words;**
- **Allows for a clear understanding of the technical problem, the gist of the solution to that problem and the principal use of the invention; and**
- **Contains reference signs in parentheses after each main technical feature mentioned.**



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Terminology and Signs (Rule 10)

- **Weights and measures expressed in the metric system or also expressed in the metric system if first expressed in a different system;**
- **Temperature expressed in degrees Celsius or also expressed in degrees Celsius if first expressed in a different manner;**
- **Rules of international practice for expressing other indications, e.g., heat, light, energy.**



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The Description (Rule 5)

- **States the title of the invention;**
- **Indicates the technical field of the invention;**
- **Indicates background art useful in understanding, searching and examining the invention by identifying the prior art or known technology;**
- **Discloses the invention in a manner that allows the technical problem and its solution to be understood;**



The Description (continued)

- **States the advantageous effects of the invention as compared to known technology;**
- **Briefly describes the figures in the drawings, if any;**
- **Sets forth the best mode contemplated for carrying out the invention;**
- **Indicates the way in which the invention is capable of exploitation in industry or the way it can be used.**



The request must contain

- **A petition that the international application be processed under the PCT;**
- **The title of the invention;**
- **The necessary data concerning applicant, the inventor and the agent or common representative;**
- **The designation of PCT Contracting States for which protection is desired.**



The request must be signed by applicant or applicant's agent

- **Where there are two or more applicants, each applicant must sign either the request, or if the request is signed by an agent, a separate power of attorney.**



The international application must contain

- A request (Form PCT/RO/101 or computer-generated request);
- A description of the invention;
- One or more claims;
- One or more drawings where necessary to illustrate the invention; and
- An abstract (may be filed later without affecting the international filing date).



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Other documents which should be filed with the application

- Separate power of attorney or copy of general power of attorney (may be filed later);
- Certified copy of priority document(s) (may be filed later);
- Indications concerning deposited microorganisms;
- Nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing in the prescribed format and in machine readable form (may be filed later).



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