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**AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS UNDER
THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY (PCT)**

Adopted on October 2, 2013, by the Assembly of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) at its Forty-fourth (19th Ordinary) Session held from September 23 to October 2, 2013 with effect from July 1, 2014

Rule 44ter**[Deleted]****Rule 66****Procedure Before the International
Preliminary Examining Authority**

66.1 and 66.1bis [No change]

66.1ter Top-up searches

The International Preliminary Examining Authority shall conduct a search ("top-up search") to discover documents referred to in Rule 64 which have been published or have become available to the said Authority for search subsequent to the date on which the international search report was established, unless it considers that such a search would be serve no useful purpose. If the Authority finds that any of the situations referred to in Article 34(3) or (4) or Rule 66.1(e) exists, the top-up search shall cover only those parts of the international application that are the subject of international preliminary examination.

66.2 to 66.8 [No change]

Rule 70**International preliminary Report
on Patentability by the International
Preliminary Examining Authority
(International Examination Report)**

70.1 [No change]

70.2 Basis of the Report

(a) to (e) [No change]

(f) The report shall indicate the date on which a top-up search under Rule 66.1ter was made, or else state that no top-up search was made.

70.3 to 70.17 [No change]

Rule 94**Access to Files**

90.1 Access to File held by the International Bureau

(a) [No change]

(b) The International Bureau shall, at the request of any person but not before the international publication of the international application and subject to Article 38, furnish, subject to the reimbursement of the cost of the service, copies of any document contained in its file.

(c) [No change]

94.2 and 94.3 [No change]

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