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AG	Antigua and Barbuda	CY	Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	10	Republic of)		Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>		
AL	Albania (EP)	CZ	Czech Republic (EP)	IS IT	Iceland (EP)		Malta (EP)2	SM	San Marino (EP)
AM	Armenia (EA)	DE	Germany (EP)	ĴΡ	Italy (EP)² Japan		/ Malawi (AP)	SN	Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
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BA		EC	Ecuador	ΚP	Democratic	NE	Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SZ	Swaziland (AP) <sup>2</sup>
	Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>		Estonia (EP)		People's Republic of	NG	Nigeria	TD	Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BB	Barbados				Korea	NI	Nicaragua	TG	Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BE	Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>		Spain (EP)		Republic of Korea	NL	Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	ΤH	Thailand
BF	Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	FI	Finland (EP)	ΚZ	Kazakhstan (EA)	NO	Norway (EP)	TJ.	Tajikistan (EA)
BG	Bulgaria (EP)	FR	France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LA	Lao People's Demo-	NZ	New Zealand	TM	Turkmenistan (EA)
BH	Bahrain	GA	Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>		cratic Republic	OM		TN	Tunisia
BJ	Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GB	United Kingdom (EP)	LC LI	Saint Lucia	PA	Panama		Turkey (EP)
BN	Brunei Darussalam	GD	Grenada	LK	Liechtenstein (EP) Sri Lanka	PE	Peru	TT	Trinidad and Tobago
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	Botswana (AP)		Ghana (AP)		Lesotho (AP)	PH	Philippines		Tanzania (AP)
BY	Belarus (EA)		Gambia (AP)	ĹŤ	Lithuania (EP) <sup>3</sup>	PL	Poland (EP)		Ukraine
BZ	Belize		Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ĽÜ	Luxembourg (EP)	PT	Portugal (EP)		Uganda (AP)
	Canada	GO	Equatorial Guinea (OA)		Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	QA	Qatar (ED)	US	United States of
CF	Central African	CR	Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LY	Libya	RO	Romania (EP)	117	America
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CG	Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>			MC	Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RU	Russian	VC	Saint Vincent and
			Guinea-Bissau (OA) <sup>2</sup> Honduras	MD	Republic of		Federation (EA)	1 /h I	the Grenadines
	Switzerland (EP)				Moldova⁴		Rwanda (AP)		Viet Nam
CI CL	Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>		` ,		Montenegro <sup>1</sup>	SA	Saudi Arabia		South Africa
	Chile		Hungary (EP)		Madagascar	SC	Seychelles		Zambia (AP)
	Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ID	Indonesia	MK	The former	SD	Sudan (AP)	ZVV	Zimbabwe (AP)
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Extension of European patent possible.

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Lithuania will close the national route via the PCT on 4 September 2014.

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patent.

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