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Madam,
Sir,

ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW EQUIVALENT AMOUNT

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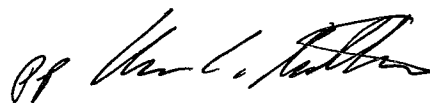
The exchange rate between the Swiss franc (CHF) and the US dollar (USD) has been, for more than 30 consecutive days, more than 5 percent lower than the exchange rate used for establishing the present equivalent amount.

In accordance with the directives adopted by the PCT Assembly at its fortieth session (September 22 to October 1, 2009), a new equivalent amount in CHF, payable only to certain receiving Offices, which have chosen the CHF as currency of payment but in respect of which the CHF is not the official currency, has been established as follows, with effect from November 1, 2010:

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Yours sincerely,



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