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INVITATION TO PAY ADDITIONAL FEES
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(PCT Article 17(3)(a) and Rules 40.1 and 40.2(e))

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1. This International Searching Authority

(i) considers that there are 2 (number of) inventions claimed in the international application covered by the claims indicated below/on an extra sheet:

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(ii) therefore considers that **the international application does not comply with the requirement of unity of invention** (Rules 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3) for the reasons indicated below/on an extra sheet:

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(iii) has carried out a partial international search (see Annex) will establish the international search report on those parts of the international application which relate to the invention first mentioned in claims Nos.:
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(iv) will establish the international search report on the other parts of the international application only if, and to the extent to which, additional fees are paid.

2. Consequently, the applicant is hereby **invited to pay**, within the time limit indicated above, additional fees in the amount indicated below:

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4. Claim(s) Nos. _____ have been found to be unsearchable under Article 17(2)(b) because of defects under Article 17(2)(a) and therefore have not been included with any invention.

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This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. In order for all inventions to be examined, the appropriate additional examination fees must be paid.

Group I, claims 1-10 are drawn to a device comprising a first substantially centrifugal compressor and a second substantially centrifugal compressor.

Group II, claims 11-12 is drawn to a pump.

The inventions listed as Groups I-II do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons: the special technical features of Group I, a first fluid connection, a first substantially centrifugal compressor, a second fluid connection, a second substantially centrifugal compressor, means to add heat, means to remove heat, are not present in Group II; the special technical features of Group II, a set of blades, a casing, the velocity vector of each point within the blades, are not present in Group I.

Since none of the special technical features of the Group I-II inventions is found in more than one of the inventions, unity is lacking.