

**PROCEDURE TO REQUEST SUBMISSION OF SEARCH AND EXAMINATION REPORTS ISSUED BY THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE OF SINGAPORE (IPOS) TO THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY & HANDICRAFT OF CAMBODIA (MIH) FOR THE GRANT OF CAMBODIA RELATED PATENT APPLICATIONS**

**1) Applicant to request IPOS to submit the required documents to MIH**

Applicant to request IPOS in writing to submit a copy of the (i) final search and examination report issued by IPOS and (ii) final specifications of the Singapore related patent application to MIH.

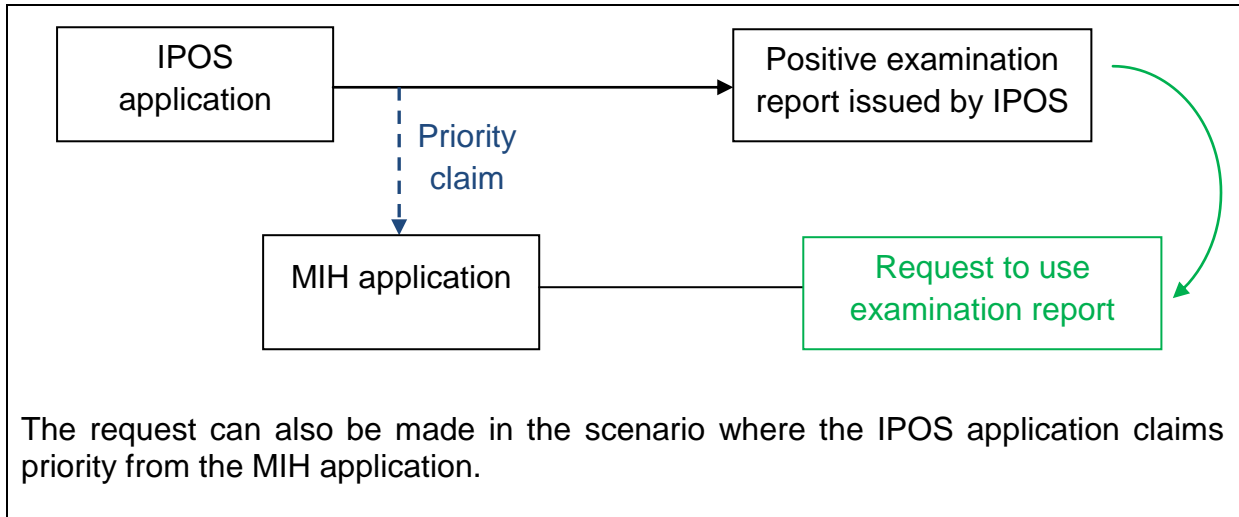
[Note: A non-exhaustive list of examples of related patent applications are listed in **Annex A.**]

**2) Applicant to request for MIH to amend the specifications of the Cambodia related patent application**

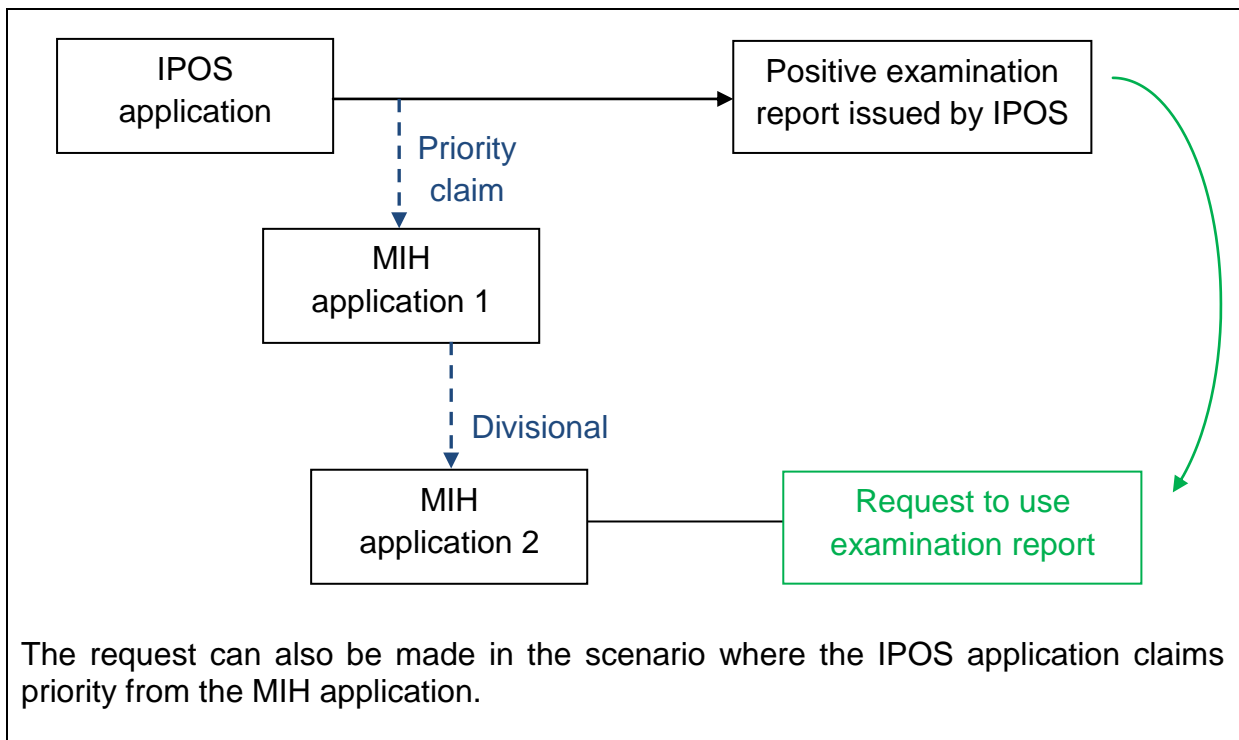
In the same written request to IPOS, applicant to also request for MIH to amend the specifications of the Cambodia related patent application to the final specifications of the Singapore related patent application (this is to facilitate the grant of the Cambodia related patent application). A sample request letter is in **Annex B.**

## ANNEX A – EXAMPLES OF RELATED PATENT APPLICATIONS

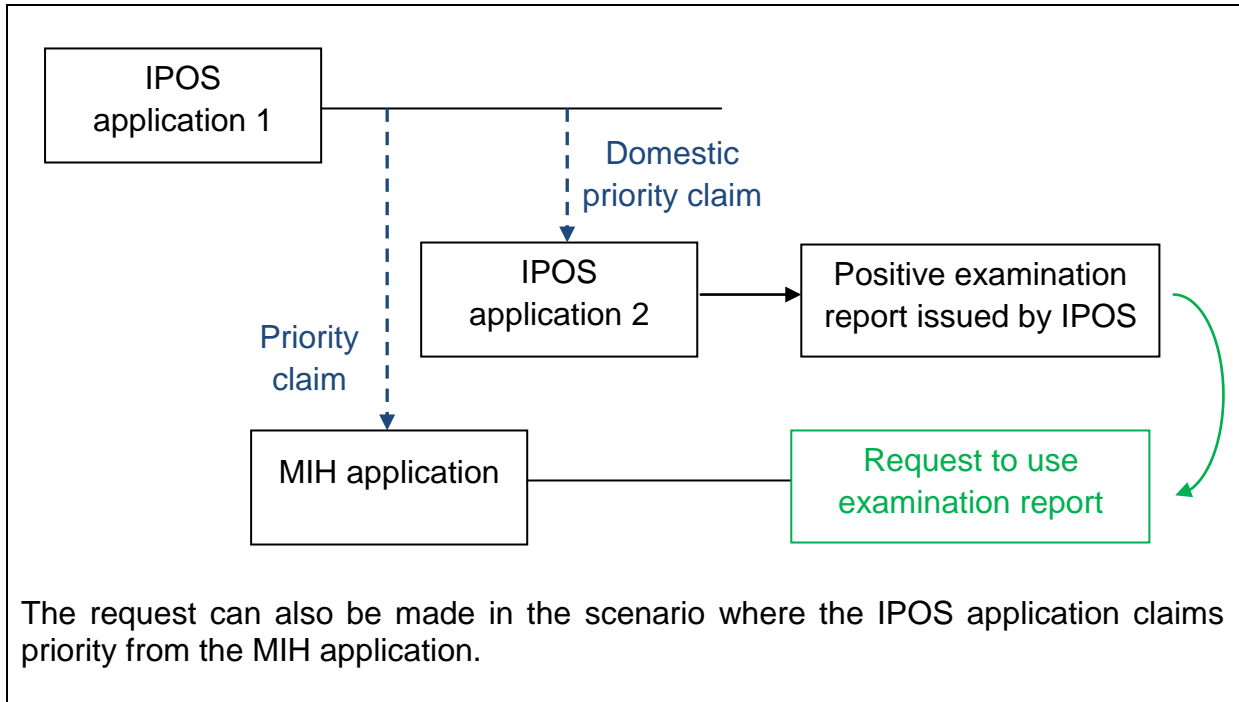
**Scenario (1):** The MIH application validly claims priority under Article 27 of the Law on the Patents, Utility Model Certificates and Industrial Designs from the IPOS application being relied on.



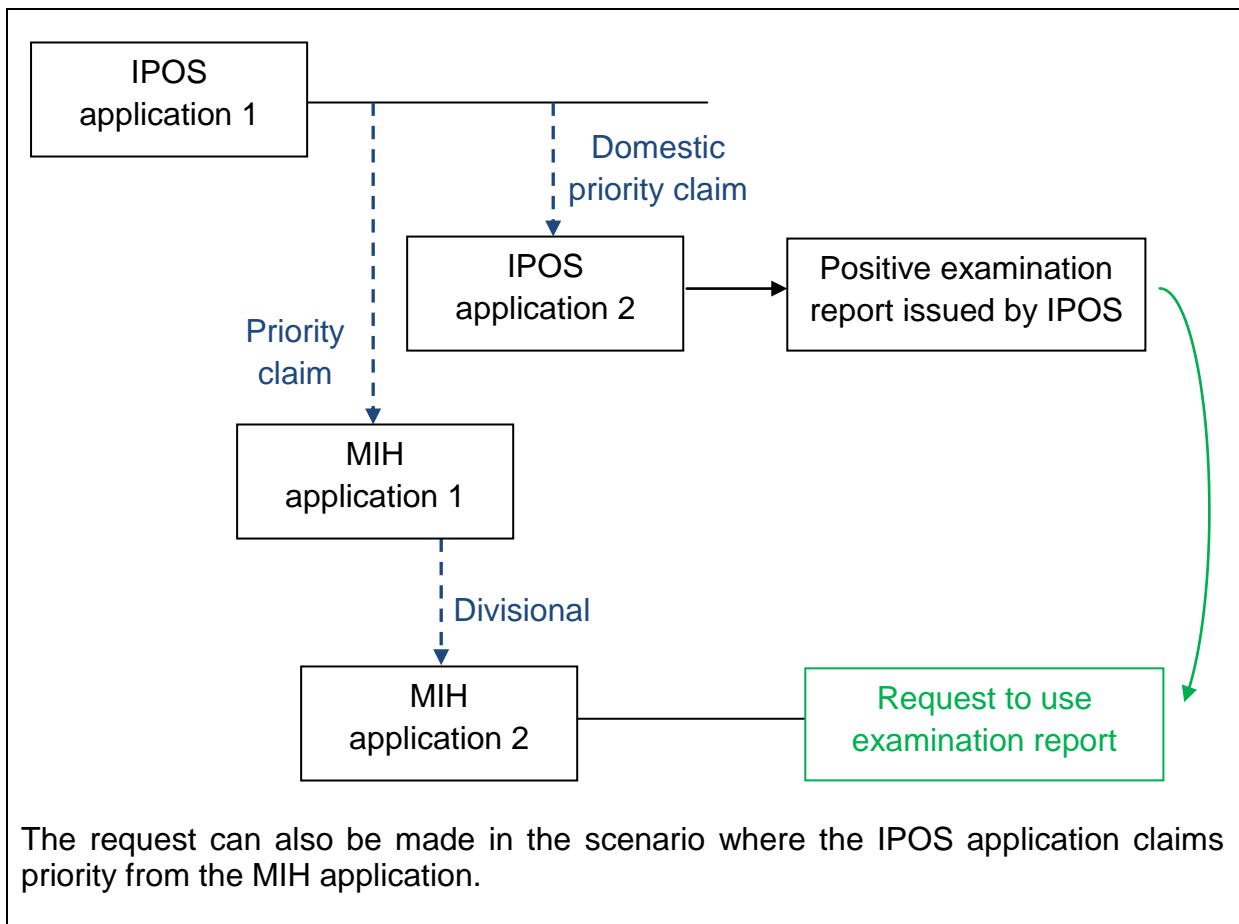
**Scenario (2):** The MIH application is a divisional application of the MIH application referred to in (1) above, and said divisional application validly claims priority under Article 25 of the Law on the Patents, Utility Model Certificates and Industrial Designs from the IPOS application being relied on.



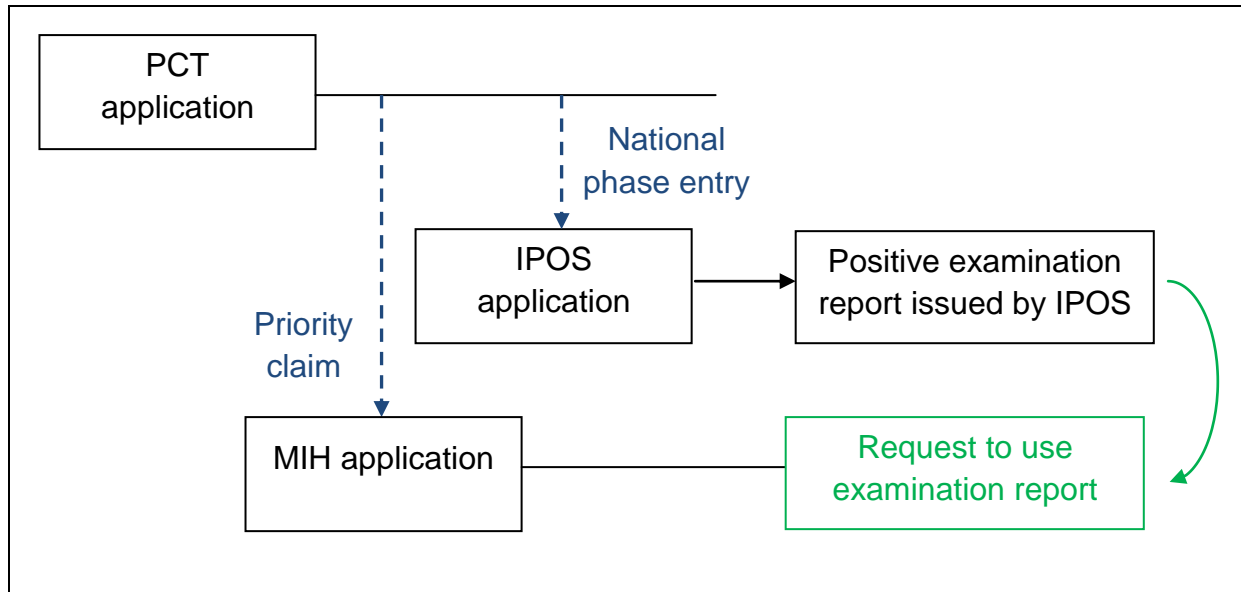
**Scenario (3):** The MIH application validly claims priority under Article 27 of the Law on the Patents, Utility Model Certificates and Industrial Designs from the earlier IPOS application (“IPOS application 1”), and the IPOS application being relied on for the request (“IPOS application 2”) also validly claims domestic priority from IPOS application 1.



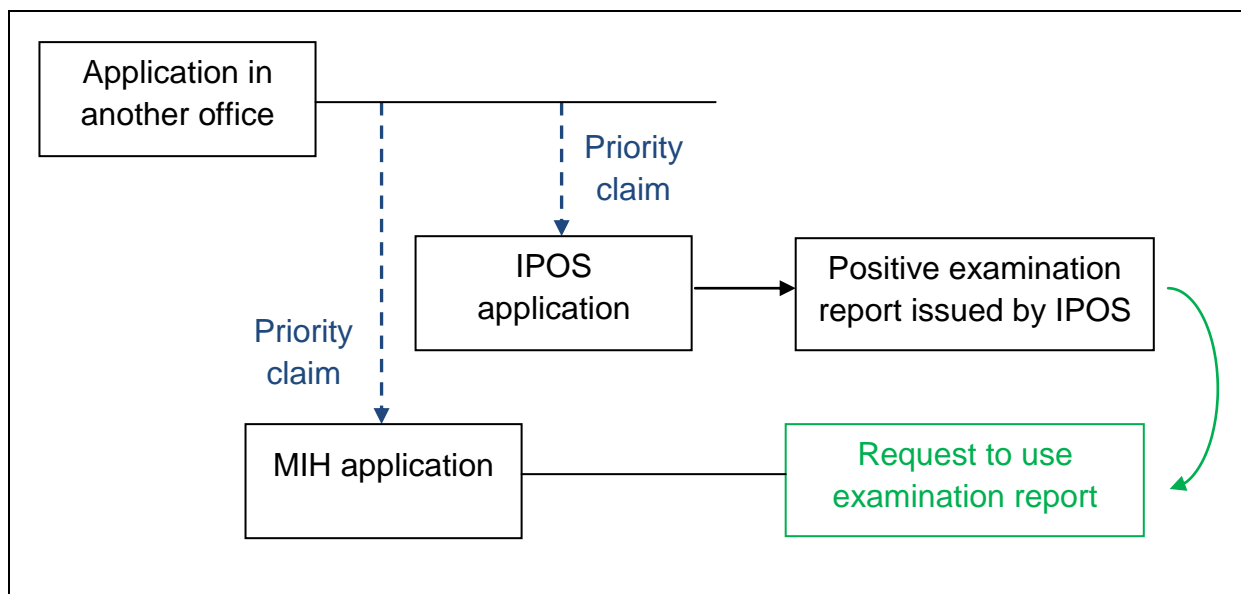
**Scenario (4):** The MIH application is a divisional application of the MIH application referred to in (3) above, and said divisional application validly claims priority under Article 25 of the Law on the Patents, Utility Model Certificates and Industrial Designs from the earlier IPOS application (“IPOS application 1”), and the IPOS application being relied on (“IPOS application 2) also validly claims domestic priority from IPOS application 1.



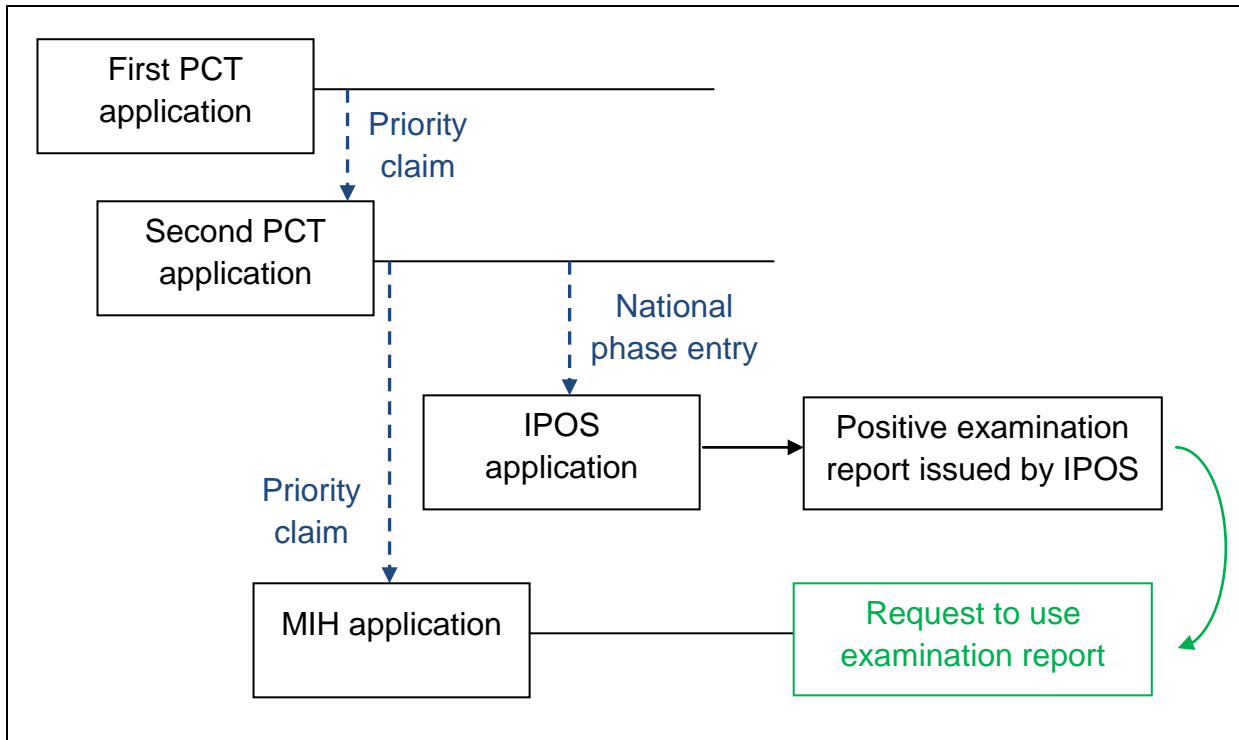
**Scenario (5):** The IPOS application is a national phase entry of a PCT application, and the MIH application validly claims priority under Article 27 of the Law on the Patents, Utility Model Certificates and Industrial Designs from the PCT application.



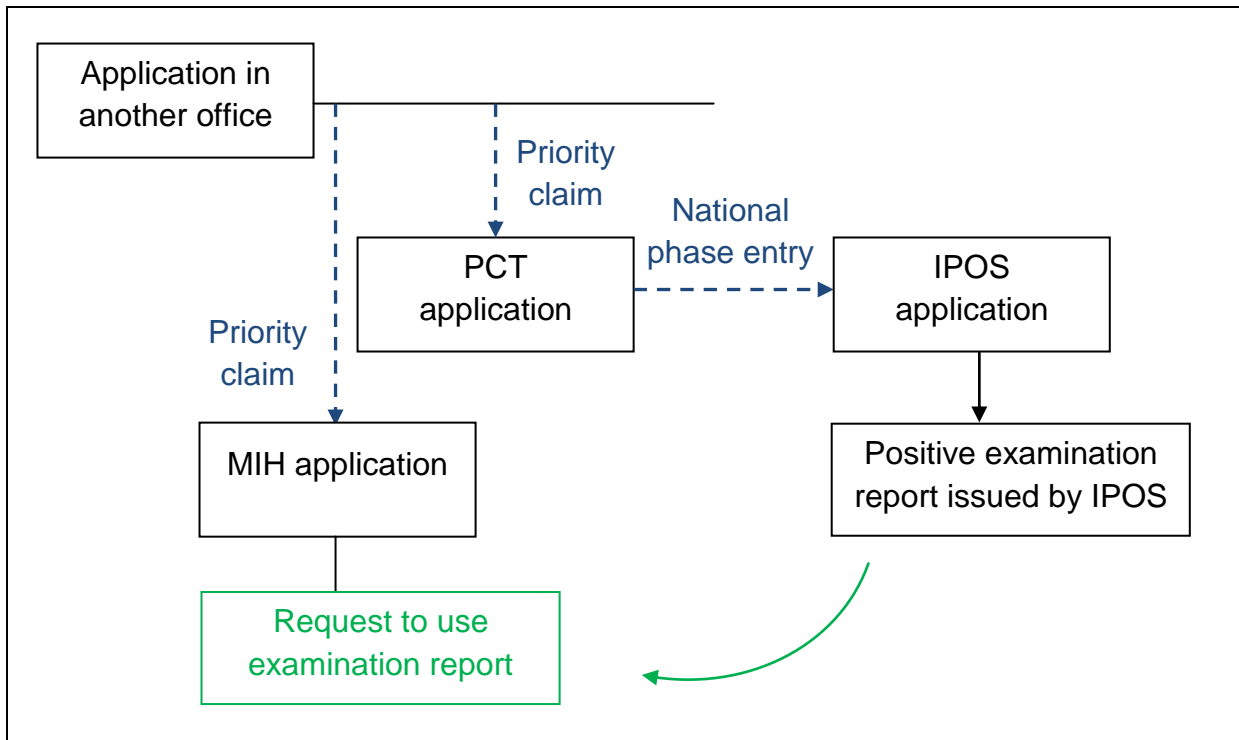
**Scenario (6):** There is a first application filed in an office other than IPOS or MIH. The IPOS application validly claims priority under section 17 of the Singapore Patents Act (Cap. 221) from the first application. The MIH application also validly claims priority under Article 27 of the Law on the Patents, Utility Model Certificates and Industrial Designs from the same first application.



**Scenario (7):** There are two PCT applications, the second application validly claiming priority from the first application. The IPOS application is a national phase entry of the second PCT application, and validly claims priority under section 17 and section 87 of the Singapore Patents Act (Cap. 221) from the first PCT application. The MIH application also validly claims priority under Article 27 of the Law on the Patents, Utility Model Certificates and Industrial Designs from the first PCT application.



**Scenario (8):** The IPOS application is a national phase entry of a PCT application, and the IPOS application validly claims priority under section 17 and section 87 of the Singapore Patents Act (Cap. 221) from an application filed in another office. The MIH application also validly claims priority under Article 27 of the Law on the Patents, Utility Model Certificates and Industrial Designs from the same application filed in another office.



## ANNEX B – SAMPLE REQUEST LETTER

### **Request for Submission of Final Search and Examination Report and Final Specifications for Singapore Patent Application to the Ministry of Industry & Handicraft of Cambodia (MIH), and for Amendment of Specifications for Related Patent Application at MIH**

*[Date of letter]*

**Singapore Patent Application Number:**  
**Applicant Name:**  
**Title of Invention:**  
**Filing date / Priority date (as applicable):**

Dear Sirs,

We refer to the above-named Singapore patent application. We would like to request IPOS to submit the following documents for this Singapore patent application to the MIH to serve as a reference for the prosecution of the Cambodia related patent application (details as follows).

Documents for this Singapore patent application to be submitted to MIH:

- 1) Final search and examination report
- 2) Final specifications, comprising claims with description, and drawings (if any)

Details of Cambodia related patent application <<patent application number>>:

Priority / international filing (PCT) number (as applicable):

Applicant name:

Title of invention:

In addition, we would like to request for MIH to amend the specifications of the Cambodia patent application according to the final specifications of this Singapore patent application.

*[Sign off]*