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This International Searching Authority hereby declares, according to Article 17(2)(a), that no international search report will be established on the international application for the reasons indicated below

1. QJ The subject matter of the international application relates to:
   a. QJ scientific theories
   b. QJ mathematical theories
   c. QJ plant varieties
   d. QJ animal varieties
   e. QJ essentially biological processes for the production of plants and animals, other than microbiological processes and the products of such processes
   f. QJ schemes, rules or methods of doing business
   g. QJ schemes, rules or methods of performing purely mental acts
   h. QJ schemes, rules or methods of playing games
   i. QJ methods for treatment of the human body by surgery or therapy
   j. QJ methods for treatment of the animal body by surgery or therapy
   k. QJ diagnostic methods practised on the human or animal body
   l. QJ mere presentations of information
   m. QJ computer programs for which this International Searching Authority is not equipped to search prior art

2. [X] The failure of the following parts of the international application to comply with prescribed requirements prevents a meaningful search from being carried out:
   [X] the description
   [X] the claims
   [ ] the drawings

3. QJ A meaningful search could not be carried out without the sequence listing; the applicant did not, within the prescribed time limit:
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The proposed invention relates to a method/system intended to provide real-time browsing and interaction with real-world objects (description, paragraphs 1, 6 and 7). These capabilities are to be obtained on the basis of a real-time (4D) model of the world, by modelling scenes and recognizing objects in real-time (paragraph 7), using images from cameras (paragraph 27).

At no point however does the application describe how is the modelling performed, nor how are the objects recognized. The only information one can find is a list of desirable attributes of the model (paragraph 29) and a selection of (futuristic) use examples (starting from paragraph 33), which amount to a mere collection of desiderata. It is therefore considered that the proposed invention is not disclosed in a manner sufficiently clear and complete for it to be carried out by the man skilled in the art, in breach of Art. 5 PCT.

The lack of compliance with the requirements of Art. 5 PCT noted above is to such an extent that it is not possible for the International Searching Authority to perform a meaningful search (PCT Art. 17(2)(a)(ii), PCT Guidelines 9.01 and 9.29).

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure. If the application proceeds into the regional phase before the EPO, the applicant is reminded that a search may be carried out during examination before the EPO (see EPO Guideline C-VI, 8.2), should the problems which led to the Article 17(2)PCT declaration be overcome.