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Case Number: T 1566/08 - 3.5.01

Application Number: 01932616.4

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Title of invention:

Locating antenna-provided communications services

Applicant:

MOTOROLA, INC.

Opponent:

Headword:

Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108 EPC R. 101(1)

Relevant legal provisions (EPC 1973):

Keyword:

"Missing statement of grounds of appeal"

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DECISION
of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.01
of 24 March 2009

Appellant: MOTOROLA, INC.

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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Examining Division of the

European Patent Office posted 3 March 2008

refusing European application

No. 01932616.4 pursuant to Article 97(2)

EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman: S. Steinbrener
Members: S. Wibergh

P. Schmitz

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Summary of Facts and Submissions

I. The appellant contests the decision of the examining division of the European Patent Office dated 3 March 2008 refusing European patent application No. 01932616.4.

The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 2 May 2008 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.

A written statement setting out the grounds of appeal was not filed within the four-month time limit provided for in Article 108 EPC. Nor did the notice of appeal contain anything that might be considered as such statement.

- II. In a communication dated 24 September 2008, the Board informed the appellant that no statement setting out the grounds of appeal had been received and that the appeal could be expected to be rejected as inadmissible. The appellant was informed that any observations should be filed within two months.
- III. The appellant filed no observations in response to said communication.

Reasons for the Decision

As no written statement setting out the grounds of appeal was filed within the time limit provided for in Article 108 EPC, the appeal is inadmissible pursuant to Rule 101(1) EPC.

Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar

The Chairman

T. Buschek

S. Steinbrener