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Case Number: T 0849/20 - 3.4.01

15201405.6 Application Number:

Publication Number: 3035329

IPC: G10L15/22, H04M3/428

Language of the proceedings: ΕN

Title of invention:

EXECUTING A VOICE COMMAND DURING VOICE INPUT

Applicant:

Lenovo (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.

Headword:

Missing statement of grounds / Lenovo

Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108 EPC R. 101(1)

Keyword:

Admissibility of appeal - missing statement of grounds



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DECISION
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.4.01
of 27 January 2021

Appellant: Lenovo (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.

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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Examining Division of the

European Patent Office posted on 11 October 2019

refusing European patent application No. 15201405.6 pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman P. Scriven
Members: T. Zinke

D. Rogers

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Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is against the decision of the Examining Division of the European Patent Office, posted 11 October 2019, refusing European patent application No. 15201405.6 pursuant to Article 97(1) EPC.
- II. The appellant (applicant) filed a notice of appeal on 20 December 2019 and paid the fee for appeal on the same day.
- III. No statement of grounds was filed. The notice of appeal contains nothing that could be regarded as a statement of grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC.
- IV. In a communication dated 07 April 2020, sent by registered letter with advice of delivery, the Board informed the appellant that no statement of grounds had been filed and that the appeal could be expected to be rejected as inadmissible pursuant to Article 108 EPC in conjunction with Rule 101(1) EPC.
- V. The appellant was invited to file observations within two months from notification of the communication.
- VI. No answer was given within the given time limit to the Board's communication.

Reasons for the Decision

As no written statement setting out the grounds of appeal has been filed, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Rule 101(1) EPC in conjunction with Article 108 EPC).

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Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:

The Chairman:



D. Meyfarth

P. Scriven

Decision electronically authenticated