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Application Number: 14769947.4

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Title of invention:

SYSTEM AND METHOD OF IDENTITY VERIFICATION

Applicant:

United States Postal Service

Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108

EPC R. 99(2), 101(1), 126(2)

Keyword:

Admissibility of appeal - missing statement of grounds



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D E C I S I O N
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.01
of 29 January 2021

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Decision under appeal: **Decision of the Examining Division of the
European Patent Office posted on 16 December
2019 refusing European patent application No.
14769947.4 pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC.**

Composition of the Board:

Chairman M. Höhn
Members: N. Glaser
C. Schmidt

Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Examining Division posted on 16 December 2019, refusing European patent application 14769947.4.
- II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 26 February 2020 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.
- III. By communication of 13 July 2020, received by the appellant, the Registry of the Board informed the appellant that it appeared from the file that the written statement of grounds of appeal had not been filed, and that it was therefore to be expected that the appeal would be rejected as inadmissible pursuant to Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 101(1) EPC. The appellant was informed that any observations had to be filed within two months of notification of the communication.
- IV. No reply was received.

Reasons for the Decision

No written statement setting out the grounds of appeal was filed within the time limit provided by Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 126(2) EPC. In addition, the notice of appeal does not contain anything that could be regarded as a statement of grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC and Rule 99(2) EPC. Therefore, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Rule 101(1) EPC).

Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:

The Chairman:



T. Buschek

M. Höhn

Decision electronically authenticated