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File Number:

T 305/91 - 3.5.1

Application No.: 81 106 442.7

Publication No.: 0 048 816

Title of invention: Virtual memory microcomputer architecture

Classification: G06F 13/00

DECISION of 23 October 1991

Applicant:

TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INCORPORATED

Headword:

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DECISION
of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.1
of 23 October 1991

Appellant:

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Decision under appeal:

Decision of Examining Division of the European Patent Office dated 6 November 1990 refusing

European patent application No. 81 106 442.7

pursuant to Article 97(1) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman:

P.K.J. Van den Berg

Members :

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Summary of Facts and Submissions

- The Appeal contests the decision of the Examining Division of the European Patent Office dated 6 November 1990 refusing the European Patent Application No. 81 106 442.7. The decision was dispatched by registered letter with advice of delivery on 6 November 1990. The Applicant filed a notice of appeal by letter received on 14 January 1991 and paid the fee for appeal on the same date. 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.
- II. By a communication dated 7 May 1991 and sent by registered post, the Registry of 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. The Appellant was invited to file observations 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 has been filed, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Article 108 EPC in conjunction with Rule 65(1) EPC).

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Order

For these reasons, it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:

The Chairman:

M. Kiehl

P.K.J. van den Berg