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Case Number: T 0022/95 - 3.2.1

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Title of invention:
A method of bending metal objects

Patentee:
Polska Akademia Nauk Instytut Podstawowych Problemow Techniki

Opponent:
Siemens AG

Headword:
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Relevant legal provisions:
EPC Art. 108
EPC R. 65(1)

Keyword:
"Missing Statement of Grounds"

Decisions cited:
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D E C I S I O N
of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.2.1
of 9 January 1996

Appellant:
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Respondent: Siemens AG
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Representative: -

Decision under appeal: Decision of the Opposition Division of the
European Patent Office posted 14 November 1994
revoking European patent No. 0 317 830 pursuant to
Article 102(1) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman: F. Gumbel
Members: S. Crane
J.-C. Saisset

Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal contests the decision of the Opposition Division of the European Patent Office given at the oral proceedings on 22 September 1994, revoking the European patent No. 0 317 830.

The written decision was dispatched by registered letter with advice of delivery on 14 November 1994.

On 5 January 1995 the Appellant filed a notice of appeal and paid the fee for appeal at the same time. 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 17 October 1995, 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 observation 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).

Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

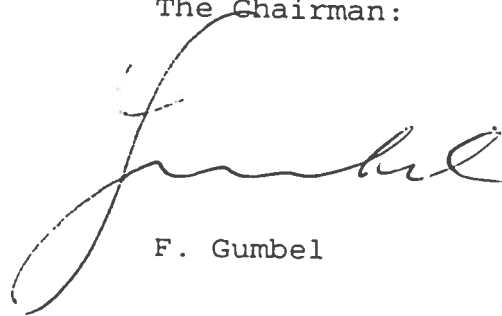
The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:

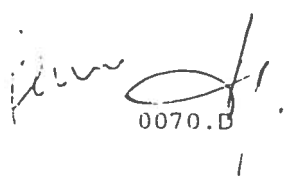


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