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Case Number: T 0778/96 - 3.5.1

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Title of invention:
Video image transformation

Patentee:
ABEKAS VIDEO SYSTEMS LIMITED

Opponent:
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Headword:
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Relevant legal provisions:
EPC Art. 108, Rule 65(1)

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"Missing Statement of Grounds"

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D E C I S I O N
of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.1
of 16 December 1996

Appellant: ABEKAS VIDEO SYSTEMS LIMITED
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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Examining Division of the
European Patent Office posted 28 March 1996
refusing European patent application
No. 91 305 029.0 pursuant to Article 97(1) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman: P. K. J. Van den Berg
Members: R. Randes
G. Davies

Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal contests the decision of the Examining Division of the European Patent Office dated 28 March 1996 refusing the European patent application No. 91 305 029.0. The decision was dispatched by registered letter with advice of delivery on 28 March 1996. The applicant filed a notice of appeal by letter received on 29 May 1996 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 11 September 1996 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).

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