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Lavatory cleansing compositions

Applicant/Patentee:

Jeyes Group Limited

Opponent:

Henkel Kommanditgesellschaft auf Aktien

Headword:

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Appellant:
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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Opposition Division of the European Patent Office posted 26 March 1997 rejecting the opposition filed against European patent No. 0 206 725 pursuant to Article 102(2) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman: A. J. Nuss
Members: J. M. Jonk
W. Moser

Summary of Facts and Submissions

I. The appeal contests the decision of the Opposition Division of the European Patent Office posted 26 March 1997, rejecting the opposition pursuant to Article 102(2) EPC.

The Appellant filed a notice of appeal on 5 June 1997 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 12 December 1997 sent by registered letter with advice of delivery, 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. No answer has been given to the Registry'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 65(1) EPC in conjunction with Article 108 EPC).

Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar: The Chairman:

E. Görgmaier A. Nuss