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Opponent: -
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DECISION
of the Technical Board of Appeal 3.2.01
of 11 April 2008

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Chairman: S. Crane
Members: J. Osborne
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Summary of Facts and Submissions

I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the examining division of the European Patent Office, posted 15 February 2007, granting a European patent pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC 1973.

The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 13 April 2007 and paid the fee for appeal on the same day.

II. By a communication dated 11 September 2007, sent by registered post, the Board informed the appellant that it appeared that no written statement of grounds of appeal had been filed and that it was to be expected that the appeal would be rejected as inadmissible. The appellant was invited to file observations within two months.

III. No observations were received in response to said communication.

Reasons for the Decision

No written statement setting out the grounds of appeal has been filed. Furthermore, the notice of appeal contains nothing that could be regarded as a statement of grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC 1973. The appeal therefore has to be rejected as inadmissible (Rule 65(1) EPC 1973).
Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:                      The Chairman:

A. Vottner                        S. Crane