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NOTE ON ARTICLE 73 (1)

Note:

The question will be re-examined later whether to deny for prior art purposes the priority date claimed in European applications which are based on applications filed in States which do not, in their national laws, make the priority date of foreign patent applications effective also for prior art purposes, though as a general rule including the content of patent applications in the state of the art as from the date of filing.

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- (1) The text of this note has been prepared on the basis of the Drafting Committee's discussions on 17 October 1969.