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INTER-GOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE
FOR THE SETTING UP OF A EUROPEAN
SYSTEM FOR THE GRANT OF PATENTS

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BR/GT/I/36/70

- Secretariat -

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

for the meeting of Working Party I,
(1 - 3 April 1970)⁽¹⁾

1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the provisional agenda
2. Drawing up of recommendations for Working Party IV

Working document:

Paper by the Chairman (BR/GT I/34/70), dated 3 February,
24 February and 6 March 1970, with Annexes numbered 1 to 29

3. Discussion on further work programme for Working Party I
(see Annex) and fixing of dates for further meetings
4. Setting up of a Working Party sub-committee to draw up the
Implementing Regulations
5. Other business

(1) The present agenda has been proposed by the Chairman of
Working Party I.

Footnote (1) contd.

At its 3rd meeting, on 24 to 28 November 1969, the Working Party had envisaged setting up a sub-committee to draw up the Implementing Regulations. The setting up of such a sub-committee has been proposed as item 4 on the agenda. Each delegation should have the option of seconding one or more of its members to this sub-committee. The sub-committee should be formed at the meeting of 1 to 3 April, and elect its Chairman and fix the dates of its future meetings on the same occasion.

It has been left to the delegations to complete or suggest amendments to the survey annexed to the agenda. The co-ordinating duties entrusted to Working Party I by decision of the Inter-governmental Conference (Minutes of the 2nd meeting, BR/26/70, point 46) have not been taken into consideration in this survey.

Survey
of the work remaining to be accomplished by
Working Party I (as at 1 April 1970)

I. Completion of the Draft Convention

1. Articles 24 to 27 (26 - 28a) and 29((30):
Mortgaging of a European patent application, etc., and
Supplementary application of national law
2. Article 33: Discussion of the Memorandum by the British
Delegation on Branch Examining Offices of the European
Patent Office (BR/GT I/13/69, dated 30 September 1969)
3. Articles 124 to 128 (114 - 118)
Conversion of a European patent application into a
national application
4. Articles 153 et seq. of the 1965 Draft, in so far as
they concern Patent Law provisions, viz.:
 - (a) Articles 153 - 173: Common provisions for procedure
before the European Patent Office
 - and Article 180 : Opinion by the European Patent
Office

Documentation:

Working document BR/GT I/10/69, dated 12 August 1969,
put forward by the Chairman;

Proposal from the Swedish delegation concerning amendments
to Articles 61 and 162 - BR/GT I/25/69, dated 20 November 1969.

(b) Articles 185 et seq. of the 1962 Draft:

Transitional and Final Provisions, in so far as these
concern Patent Law provisions, viz.:

Article 186 Progressive expansion of the field of
activity of the European Patent Office

Article 188 National filing

Article 206 Application to national utility models

Article 207 Adaption of national law to the European
Patent Law

II. Drawing up of the Implementing Regulations

- Working Party sub-committee -

III. Drawing up of the Rules relating to fees

IV. Review of the Draft Convention (2nd reading),

1. taking into account the decisions of the Inter-govern-
mental Conference in regard to the positions stated by
the interested circles, and
2. with a view to deciding on the questions remaining open.

V. Drawing up of a provisional organisation plan for the
European Patent Office