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Re. Article b

Note

In proposing the text of this Article, the Working Party is fully aware of the practical difficulties which its application may involve as regards the working of the European Patent Office, which may be obliged to submit one and the same application, for various States, to two separate bodies of law. It believes that it is for Working Party I to make a thorough examination of this aspect of the matter. Other texts have been proposed by various delegations, with a view to avoiding this ~~draw~~ drawback, but these have come up against other objections, in particular that of not adequately respecting the "acquired rights" of applicants or that of not taking the position of States which have not ratified the revised text suitably into account.