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

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WORKING PARTY II

WORKING DOCUMENT

for the  
draft of a Convention establishing a European System  
for the Grant of Patents

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Final and general provisions

Articles f and i to l

drawn up by the Drafting Committee

Territorial field of application

Article f

(1) Any Contracting State may declare in its instrument of ratification or accession, or may inform the Government of ..... by written notification any time thereafter, that this Convention shall be applicable to one or more of the territories for the external relations of which it is responsible.

Any declaration made under the preceding paragraph shall take effect on the same date as the ratification or accession in which it was included; any notification shall take effect six months after the latter has been received by the Government of .....

(2) The Government of ..... shall inform all the Governments of the Contracting States of the declarations and notifications referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

Duration of the Convention

Article i

The present Convention shall be of unlimited duration.

Denunciation - Revocation of declarations  
as regards the territorial field of application

Article j

(1) Any Contracting State may at any time denounce this Convention. Notification of denunciation shall be given to the Government of ..... . Denunciation shall take effect one year after the date on which notification is given, unless the State concerned has earlier ceased to be a party to the Convention, pursuant to Article a, paragraph 4 (b).

(2) Any Contracting State may at any time declare that the Convention shall cease to apply to some or to all of the territories in respect of which it has made a declaration or given a notification pursuant to Article f. Subject to the reservation laid down in paragraph 1, such declaration shall take effect one year after the date on which notification thereof has been given to the Government of ..... .

(3) The Government of ..... shall inform all the Governments of the Contracting States of the denunciations and declarations referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2.

(4) To be examined later.

Languages

Article k

(1) The present Convention shall be drawn up in a single original in the English, French and German languages, to be deposited in the archives of the Government of ....., the three texts being equally authentic.

(2) Official texts of the present Convention may be drawn up in the official languages of other Contracting States.

Transmission of certified true copies

Article 1

A certified true copy of the present Convention shall be transmitted by the Government of ..... to the Governments of all signatory or acceding States.

The Government of ..... shall register this Convention with the Secretariat of the United Nations.

In witness whereof, the Plenipotentiaries authorised thereto, having presented their Full Powers, found to be in good and due form, have signed the present Convention.

Done at ....., on .....