

Internal distribution code:

- (A) [-] Publication in OJ
- (B) [-] To Chairmen and Members
- (C) [-] To Chairmen
- (D) [X] No distribution

**Datasheet for the decision
of 31 October 2018**

Case Number: T 1993/18 - 3.5.04

Application Number: 15158533.8

Publication Number: 2919476

IPC: H04N21/436, H04N21/462,
H04N21/4627

Language of the proceedings: EN

Title of invention:

Methods and systems of playing multi-license media content

Applicant:

Disney Enterprises, Inc.

Headword:

Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108
EPC R. 101(1)

Keyword:

Admissibility of appeal - missing statement of grounds

Decisions cited:

Catchword:



Beschwerdekammern
Boards of Appeal
Chambres de recours

Boards of Appeal of the
European Patent Office
Richard-Reitzner-Allee 8
85540 Haar
GERMANY
Tel. +49 (0)89 2399-0
Fax +49 (0)89 2399-4465

Case Number: T 1993/18 - 3.5.04

D E C I S I O N
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.04
of 31 October 2018

Appellant: Disney Enterprises, Inc.
(Applicant) 500 South Buena Vista Street
Burbank, CA 91521 (US)

Representative: Avidity IP
Broers Building
Hauser Forum
21 JJ Thomson Avenue
Cambridge CB3 0FA (GB)

Decision under appeal: Decision of the Examining Division of the
European Patent Office posted on 12 February
2018 refusing European patent application
No. 15158533.8 pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman C. Kunzelmann
Members: M. Paci
G. Decker

Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Examining Division of 2 February 2018, posted on 12 February 2018.
- II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 12 April 2018 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.
- III. By communication of 10 August 2018, received by the appellant, the Registry of the Board informed the appellant that it appeared from the file that the written statement of grounds of appeal had not been filed, and that it was therefore to be expected that the appeal would be rejected as inadmissible pursuant to Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 101(1) EPC. The appellant was informed that any observations had to be filed within two months of notification of the communication.
- IV. No reply has been received.

Reasons for the Decision

No written statement setting out the grounds of appeal was filed within the time limit provided by Article 108, third sentence, EPC in conjunction with Rule 126(2) EPC. In addition, neither the notice of appeal nor any other document filed contains anything that could be regarded as a statement of grounds pursuant to Article 108 EPC and Rule 99(2) EPC. Therefore, the appeal has to be rejected as inadmissible (Rule 101(1) EPC).

Order

For these reasons it is decided that:

The appeal is rejected as inadmissible.

The Registrar:

The Chairman:



K. Boelicke

C. Kunzelmann

Decision electronically authenticated