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Case Number: T 3032/19 - 3.5.02

15196868.2 Application Number:

Publication Number: 3029654

IPC: G08G5/00

Language of the proceedings: EN

Title of invention:

Systems and Method for Wirelessly and Securely Updating a Terrain Awareness Warning System Database

Applicant:

Honeywell International Inc.

Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108 EPC R. 101(1)

Keyword:

Admissibility of appeal - missing statement of grounds Request for oral proceedings only for discussion on the merits, not admissibility



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DECISION
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.02
of 30 April 2020

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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Examining Division of the

European Patent Office posted on 16 May 2019 refusing European patent application No. 15196868.2 pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC.

Composition of the Board:

Chairman R. Lord
Members: F. Giesen

J. Hoppe

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Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Examining Division, posted on 16 May 2019.
- II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 12 July 2019 and paid the appeal fee on the same day. They requested oral proceedings if the Board, after review of its written arguments, considered maintaining the impugned decision.
- III. By communication of 22 November 2019, 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 was 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.

The appellant merely requested oral proceedings if the Board did not follow its written arguments. No written arguments were

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filed by the appellant. There was no request for oral proceedings in the case of a decision concerning the admissibility of the appeal. Thus no oral proceedings had to be held.

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:



U. Bultmann

R. Lord

Decision electronically authenticated