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# Datasheet for the decision of 7 October 2020

Case Number: T 0883/20 - 3.5.01

12189192.3 Application Number:

Publication Number: 2584518

IPC: G06Q30/02

Language of the proceedings: EN

#### Title of invention:

Recommendation system

#### Applicant:

Comcast Cable Communications, LLC

### Relevant legal provisions:

EPC Art. 108

EPC R. 99(2), 101(1), 126(2)

### Keyword:

Admissibility of appeal - missing statement of grounds



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DECISION
of Technical Board of Appeal 3.5.01
of 7 October 2020

Appellant: Comcast Cable Communications, LLC

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Decision under appeal: Decision of the Examining Division of the

European Patent Office posted on 24 October 2019

refusing European patent application No. 12189192.3 pursuant to Article 97(2) EPC.

#### Composition of the Board:

Chairman W. Chandler Members: M. Höhn C. Schmidt

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# Summary of Facts and Submissions

- I. The appeal is directed against the decision of the Examining Division posted on 24 October 2019, refusing European patent application 12189192.3.
- II. The appellant filed a notice of appeal on 24 December 2019 and paid the appeal fee on the same day.
- III. By communication of 8 April 2020, 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.

In the same communication, the Board stated that it assumed, unless contradicted by the appellant in the specified period, that the appellant's request for oral proceedings did not apply to the issue of inadmissibility of the appeal because no grounds of appeal had been filed in due time.

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

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Rule 126(2) EPC. In addition, the notice of appeal does not contain 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:



T. Buschek W. Chandler

Decision electronically authenticated