

D E C R E E

of the Industrial Property Office

from 21st December 2001

amending the Decree of the Federal Office for Inventions on the Procedure in Matters of Inventions and Industrial Designs

The Industrial Property Office (hereinafter referred to as “the Office”) in accordance with the article 88 of the Act No. 527/1990 Coll. on inventions and rationalization proposals as amended by the Act No. 116/2000 Coll. and the Act No. 207/2000 Coll. (hereinafter referred to as “the Act”) stipulates the following:

Section I

The Decree No 550/1990 Coll. on the Procedure in Matters of Inventions and Industrial Designs shall be amended as follows:

1. The article 1 shall be deleted.
2. The article 4 paragraph 2 of shall be deleted and the numbering of the paragraph 1 shall be deleted at the same time.
3. In the article 11 paragraph 2 the words “patent claim” shall be deleted.
4. In the article 13 paragraph 3 the word “due” shall be inserted after the word “pay”.
5. In the article 16 paragraph 2 the new letter k) shall be inserted after the letter j). The new letter k) shall read as follows:

“k) the eventual grant of the supplementary protection certificate;”.

The letters hitherto numbered as k) to t) shall be numbered as l) to u).

6. The article 19 shall read as follows:

“Article 19

- (1) The applicant of an international application by which grant of a patent in the Czech Republic is sought under the international treaty shall be obliged to submit to the Office three copies of a

Czech translation of the application and pay the respective fees according to special regulations within a time limit of 31 months from the date of priority.

(2) If the applicant fulfils the conditions stated in paragraph (1), the Office may, upon a request of the applicant, initiate procedure on the international application even before the time limit stated in paragraph (1).”.

7. The part two, articles 24 to 43 shall be deleted.

Section II

Transitional provision

The time limit of 31 months stipulated in the article 19 shall apply to all pending international applications in respect of which the time limit has not yet expired by the day when the decree came into force.

Section III

Force

This decree shall enter into force on the day of the publication.