Third Law to Amend the Judicial Officers Law and Other Laws

of 6 August 1998

The Federal Parliament has passed the tollowing Law:

Article 1 ...

Article 2a ...

Article 2f Amendment to the Patent Law

The first sentence of Section 81 (7) of the Patent Law, in the version promulgated on 16 December 1980 (Federal Law Gazette 1981 I page 1), last amended by Article 2 of the Law of 16 July 1998 (Federal Law Gazette I page 1827), shall be worded as follows:

"Plaintiffs who are not ordinarily resident in a Member State of the European Union or in a Contracting State of the Convention Concerning the European Economic Area shall furnish, at the defendant's request, security for the costs of the proceedings; Section 110 (2), items 1 to 3, of the Code of Civil Procedure shall apply mutatis mutandis.

Article 2g ...

Article 3
Entry into Force

(1) This Law shall enter into force on 1 October 1998.

The constitutional rights of the Federal Council have been heeded.

The above Law is hereby executed and promulgated in the Federal Law Gazette.

Berlin, 6 August 1998

The Federal President Roman Herzog

The Deputy Federal Chancellor Kinkel

The Federal Minister of Justice Schmidt-Jortzig