

# Decision of the administrative council of 30 October 2003 amending the Rules relating to Fees CA/D 12/03

THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN PATENT ORGANISATION,

Having regard to the European Patent Convention, and in particular Article 33, paragraph 2(d) thereof,

Having regard to the Patent Cooperation Treaty, and its Regulations, and in particular Rule 16.1(a) thereof,

On a proposal from the President of the European Patent Office,

Having regard to the opinion of the Budget and Finance Committee,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

## **Article 1**

Article 2, item 2, of the Rules relating to Fees shall be amended to read as follows:

"2. Search fee in respect of

	<b>EUR</b>
- a European or supplementary European search (Article 78, paragraph 2, Rules 46, paragraph 1, and 112, Article 157, paragraph 2(b))	690
- an international search (Rule 16.1 PCT and Rule 105, paragraph 1)	1550

## **Article 2**

(1) The new amount of the international search fee shall apply to international applications filed on or after 1 January 2004.

(2) If an international search fee is paid in due time within six months of 1 January 2004, but only in the amount due before this date, it shall be deemed to have been validly paid if the deficit is made good within two months of an invitation to that effect from the European Patent Office.

This decision shall enter into force on 1 January 2004.

Done at Munich, 30 October 2003

For the Administrative Council  
The Deputy Chairman

*Mogens KRING*