

## **QUESTION 49**

### **Improvement on an international scale of patent examination**

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#### **Improvement on an international scale of patent examination (continued)**

##### **Resolution**

I. The Executive Committee adopts the following resolutions:

1. It is essential and urgent that international cooperation should be organized with a view to reducing the work-load and the delays resulting from the multiplicity of filing, searching and the examination in the matter of patents.

2. The draft treaty of cooperation prepared by BIRPI has considerable merit and includes as regards to what has been said above aspects which make it highly desirable to proceed actively with a study of it.

3. This draft contains three essential provisions:

- an international search system,
- an international filing,
- a certificate of patentability.

a) As regards the international search system: The IAPIP approves the principle of the study made by BIRPI and insists that it should be pursued very thoroughly with a view to arriving at an international search which is as thorough and complete as possible.

b) As regards the institution of an international filing, the IAPIP considers that it is impossible at this stage to approve it because its form and manner of functioning may depend on the solution adopted for the search problem.

c) As regards the institution of the certificate of patentability, the IAPIP considers that it is impossible at this stage to approve it.

II. The Executive Committee therefore decides to continue the study of Question 49 B."

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