RULE 4(4)

Proposal by the Delegation of Portugal

The following modification concerning Rule 4(4) is suggested by the Delegation of Portugal:

“(4) [Translation] Where the earlier application is not in a language accepted by the Office and the validity of the priority claim is relevant to the determination of whether the invention concerned is patentable, the Contracting Party may require that a translation of the earlier application referred to in paragraph (1) be filed by the applicant, upon invitation by the Office, within a time limit which shall be not less than two months from the date of that invitation, and not less than the limit, if any, applied under that paragraph.”