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## DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE PATENT LAW TREATY

**Geneva, May 11 to June 2, 2000**

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.”

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