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DRAFT ARTICLES 4(6)(b) AND 13(2bis);
DRAFT RULES 2(4), 15(4bis) AND (4ter)

Proposal by the Delegation of Japan

1. The following proposal was submitted by the Delegation of Japan:

Article 4

Filing Date

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(6)(b) [Deleted]

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Rule 2

Requirements Under Article 4(6)(b)

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(4) [Moved to Rule 15]

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Article 13

Correction or Addition of Priority Claim; Restoration of Priority Right

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(2bis) Where an application (“the subsequent application”) which claims the priority of an earlier application has a filing date which is later than the date on which the priority period expired pursuant to Article 4(6)(a), the Office shall restore the right of priority, subject to the requirements prescribed in the Regulations, upon the request made in a communication to the Office signed by the applicant within a time limit prescribed in the Regulations.

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Rule 15

*Details concerning Correction or Addition of Priority Claim; Restoration of Priority Right
under Article 13*

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(4*bis*) [Text as in Rule 2(4)]

(4*ter*) The time limit referred to in Article 13(2*bis*) shall be not less than the time that the time limits referred to in Article 4(6)(a) expired, or that any technical preparations for publication of the subsequent application have been completed, whichever expire earlier.

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