

Resolution of the Executive Committee, Funchal, Madeira (Portugal), 13-17 January 1986

"Representation before the Common Appeal Court (COPAC) to be established in connection with the Community Patent Convention"

FICPI, the International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys, broadly representative of the free profession throughout the world, assembled at its Executive Committee held in Funchal, Madeira (Portugal), 13-17 January 1986, passed the following Resolution:

Having considered the results achieved at the achieved at the Diplomatic Conference in Luxembourg from 4 to 18 December 1985 for revision of the Community Patent Convention and adoption of the related Protocol on the Settlement of Litigation concerning the Infringement and Validity of Community Patents

Notes with concern that the draft provision contained in the preparatory document before the conference (CONFLUX 11) with respect to representation of parties before the Common Appeal Court was not adopted in the final acts of the conference, and

Recommends to the representative of the EEC Countries in the INTERIM COMMITTEE for the Community Patent Convention reconsideration of the provisions on representation for the purpose of reducing the costs of litigation and providing better acceptance of the convention by allowing representation of a party by a European Patent Attorney at least in cases of appeals from decisions by the Revocation Boards of the European Patent Office.