



THE PATENTS RULES, 2003

Rule 19L

Period for establishing international preliminary examination report and its transmission.

The period for establishing the International Preliminary Examination Report shall be:

- (i) twenty eight months from the priority date; or
- (ii) six months from the period specified under Rule 69.1 of the regulations under the Treaty for the start of the international preliminary examination; or
- (iii) six months from the date of receipt by the Examining Authority of the translation furnished under Rule 55.2 of the regulations under the Treaty, whichever expires last.

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