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I. Purpose of Amendments

If an applicant could not make any amendment . . .

(1) First-to file system



Applicant

✓ had to submit an application as rapidly as possible.

✓ had to submit a perfect application.



Patent Office

(2) Notification of reasons for refusal



Applicant

✓ had to respond to the notice.

✓ **could not avoid the refusal.**



Patent Office

Applicants need amendments !!