Note: When any ambiguity of interpretation is found in this provisional translation, the Japanese text shall prevail.

Part III: AMENDMENT OF DESCRIPTION, CLAIMS AND DRAWINGS

Sec	tion	ı	New	Matter
UCU	LIVII		14644	IVICILLEI

	1. Related article ·····	
	2. Purpose of restriction on amendment	1
	3. Basic way of thinking	1
	3.1 A method of determining whether an amendment includes new matter	2
	3.2 Remarks	3
	4. Amendment of the scope of claims	3
	4.1 General Principle	3
	4.2 Specifics	3
	5. Amendment of the detailed description of the invention	7
	5.1 General Principle	
	5.2 Specifics	7
	6. Amendment of drawings ·····	9
	7. Explanation of an applicant ······	9
80	ation II Amondment that Changes a Special Technical Feature of an Invention	
36	ction II Amendment that Changes a Special Technical Feature of an Invention	
	1. Relevant Provisions	
	2. Purport of the Provision of Patent Act Article 17bis(4)	
	3. Procedure of Examination	
	3.1 Decision of Subject of the Examination	
	3.1.1 Basic Approach ······	
	3.1.2 Specific Procedures ·····	2
	3.1.3 Procedure of examination in case the notices of reasons for refusals are issued	
	more than once before the amendment	
	3.2 Notice of reasons for refusal in violation of the Article 17bis(4)	4
Se	ction III Amendment of Claims after Final Notice of Reasons for Refusal	
	1. General principle·····	1
	Specific operation	
	2.1 Prohibition of addition of new matters (Article 17bis(3))	
	2.2 Prohibition of amendment to change special technical features of the invention (Article	•
	17bis(4))	1
	3. Removal of claims (Article 17bis(5)(i)) ······	
	3.1 Purpose	
	3.2 Specific operation ·····	
	4. Restriction of claims in a limited way (Article 17bis(5)(ii) and (6))	
	4.1 Purpose	
	4.2 Requirement matching restriction in a limited way	
	4.3 Specific Operation ·······	
	4.3.1 Restriction of the scope of claims	
	4.3.2 Limitation of matters used to specify the invention	
	4.3.3 The problem to be solved and industrial field of the invention before and after	J

amendment are the same······	4
4.3.4 Independently patentable	4
4.4 Points to note when several amendments are made after a final notice of reasons for	
refusal	5
5. Clarification of an ambiguous statement (Article 17bis(5)(iv))	5
5.1 Purpose	5
5.2 Meaning of "clarification of the ambiguous statement"	5
5.3 Relation to the matters stated in the reasons for refusal	6
6. Correction of errors (Article 17bis(5)(iii))	6
6.1 Purpose	6
6.2 Meaning of "correction of errors"	6
7. Determination procedures	6
Section IV Examples Concerning Amendments of Specifications or Drawings	
1. Examples Concerning the Process for Determining a New Matter	1
2. Examples Concerning Judgment of Restriction in a Limited Way	