

APPEAL DECISION

Appeal No. 2013-6730

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The case of appeal against the examiner's decision of refusal of Japanese Patent Application No. 2010-527017, entitled "Multi-Touch Device with a Dynamic Haptic Effect" (international publication dated April 2, 2009, International Publication No. WO2009/042424; national publication of the translated version dated December 24, 2010, National Publication of International Patent Application No. 2010-541071) has resulted in the following appeal decision:

Conclusion

The appeal of the case was groundless.

Reason

The present application was filed on September 8, 2008, and the invention relating to the claims is acknowledged as one that is specified by the matters described in the claims in the scope of claims.

Against this, a notice of reasons for refusal was issued on September 1, 2015 and an opportunity to submit a written opinion within a designated period was given; however, no response was made by the appellant.

In addition, it is acknowledged that the above reasons for refusal are reasonable, and thus, the present application should be rejected due to the reasons for refusal.

Therefore, the appeal decision shall be made as described in the conclusion.

February 22, 2016

Chief administrative judge: KOBIKI, Mitsuaki

Administrative judge: YAMASAWA, Hiroshi

Administrative judge: SAKURAI, Shigeyuki