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### New Patents in Finland (FI)

The Finnish patent office which accessed the European Patent Organisation on 1.3.1996 has harmonized its national patent law with the European one.

There are now two publication levels (A1,B1) instead of formerly three (A,B,C). The first patent under the new regulation was published on 970715. For distinguishing the new patents from the old ones, we have created the new kind-code B1.

The new patent number range starts with number 100001. We will start to include these documents from week 98/32 onwards.

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