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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES**

Ex parte MANOJ SACHDEV

**Appeal No. 1997-3163
Application 08/498,549**

ORDER REMANDING TO EXAMINER

A Reply Brief was entered on April 28, 1997 (Paper No. 14) in response to the new ground of rejection in the Examiner's Answer entered on February 28, 1997 (Paper No. 13). The Supplemental Examiner's Answer entered on June 20, 1997 (Paper No. 15) in response to this Reply Brief failed to address if the new ground of rejection was or was not overcome.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is remanded to the examiner for addressing if the new ground of rejection in the Appeal Brief was or was not overcome by the Reply Brief, and such further action as may be appropriate.

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It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the status of the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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