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On second thought a machine translation would likely create contention with applicants. Therefore, the Director should implement rules to require US applications with foreign-based priority to provide a certified translation as a requirement for filing in the US. This would provide US examiners with solid support when citing foreign-based art under 102(d)(2). For example, modify 37 CFR 1.55(a)(4)(i), such that there are no exceptions, and that a certified translation is necessary for filing in the US.

Thanks,
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