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Sirs:

I earnestly believe that no taxpayer money should be used to support foreign filing.

However, there is an elegant way to substantially increase the opportunities for individual inventors and small companies to secure funding to pay for same. Specifically, if Article 4 C(1) of the Paris Convention was amended to twenty four months, from its current twelve months, that would provide all small entities, not just US inventors, twice as much time to raise money for foreign filing.

If publication deadlines remained as they are, applications would publish well before the 24 month deadline, providing inventors, and their prospective investors, ample time to better understand the strength of their inventions in view of the competition.

I recognize that such an amendment would take time, but its implementation would lead to more efficient investment in patents.

Sincerely,

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