

**PATENTS ACT 1977**

IN THE MATTER OF an application under  
Section 13(1) by Vincenzo Branzi in respect  
of patent number EP (UK) 1031000 in the name  
of Gourmeli International N V

**DECISION**

- 1 European Patent (UK) 1031000 names one inventor, Josef Franz Staffler.
- 2 Vincenzo Branzi has applied to be mentioned as a joint inventor in accordance with Section 13(1) of the Act.
- 3 Ms Anneliese de Jongh and Ms Margareth I Sankatsing-Sjak Shie, on behalf of Gourmeli International NV, have confirmed that they support the application. Josef Franz Staffler has also confirmed in writing that he supports the application by Vincenzo Branzi. I therefore conclude that all relevant parties agree that Vincenzo Branzi was a joint inventor.
- 4 Accordingly I find that Vincenzo Branzi should be mentioned as a joint inventor in the granted patent. I also direct, in accordance with Rule 14(5), that an addendum slip mentioning him as a joint inventor be prepared for the granted patent for the invention.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August 2002.

**MRS S WILLIAMS**

B3 Head of Litigation Section, acting for the Comptroller

**THE PATENT OFFICE**

