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PART I

NEW DOMESTIC LAW

Right to apply for and obtain a patent and be mentioned as inventor

10   Handling of application by joint applicants.

If any dispute arises between joint applicants for a patent whether or in what manner
the application should be proceeded with, the comptroller may, on a request made by
any of the parties, give such directions as he thinks fit for enabling the application to
proceed in the name of one or more of the parties alone or for regulating the manner
in which it shall be proceeded with, or for both those purposes, according as the case
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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

–   s. 56(4)(a)(iiia) and word added by S.I. 2006/1056 Sch. para. 2(b) (This amendment comes into force on the day on which 2005 asp 13, s. 20 comes into force, see art. 1(2)(b))

–   s. 63(3)(a) words in s. 63(3) renumbered as s. 63(3)(a) by 2004 c. 16 s. 2(4) (Amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 2(4) was repealed (29.4.2006) by S.I. 2006/1028, art. 2(4), Sch. 4)

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