II.9(1)  
**Date of suspension in the case referred to in Rule 13**

**legal basis**
- R. 13(4) Implementing Regulations EPC

**data in PRS for**
- All entries in the European Patent Bulletin since number 1/78 (20.12.78)
- first document affected EP 0001418; first entry in PRS on 18 September 1985

**field meaning**
- $yyymmdd$  
  Date of issue of the European Patent Bulletin in which the notice is published.
- $yyymmdd'$  
  Date of suspension of the proceedings.

**code meaning**
In case a third party provides proof to the EPO during opposition period that he has opened proceedings against the proprietor of the European patent for the purpose of seeking a judgement that he is entitled to the European patent, the Office stays the opposition proceedings, unless the third party consents to the continuation to such proceedings.

The suspension is advertised in the bulletin, stating the date on which the suspension is effective.

The time limits in force at the date of the suspension other than the time limits for payment of the renewal fees are interrupted by such suspension.

**see related codes**
- EP P 29F