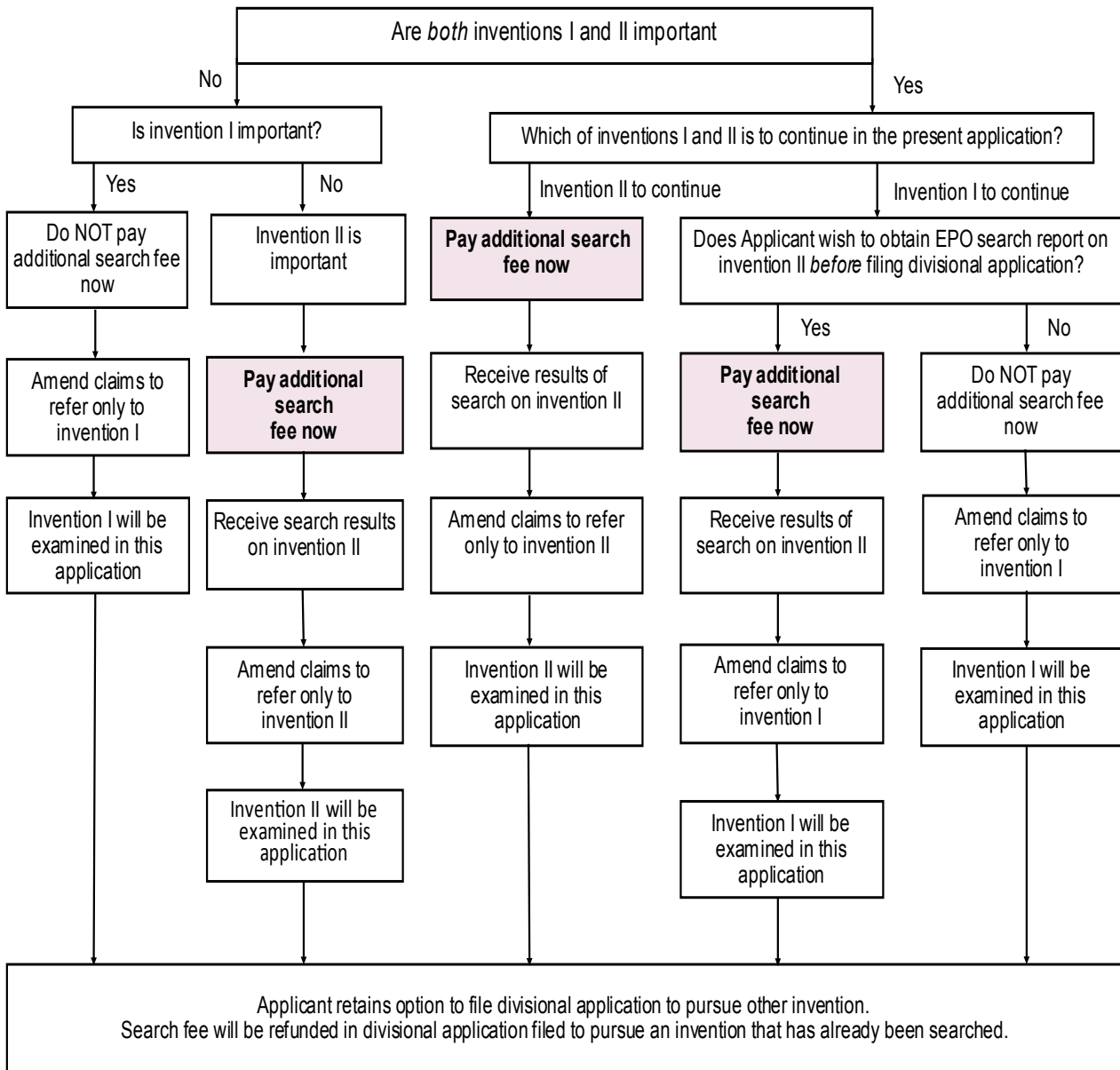


Decision chart for action after issuance of a partial search report on a direct European patent application

- EPO partial search report defines “inventions” (claim groups) I and II
- Only invention I is searched
- EPO invites payment of additional search fee for invention II
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