External C functions are allowed to be variadic. However, a variadic function takes a minimum number of arguments. For example, consider C's variadic printf function:

```
use std::os::raw::{c_char, c_int};

extern "C" {
    fn printf(_: *const c_char, ...) -> c_int;
}

unsafe { printf(); } // error!
```

Using this declaration, it must be called with at least one argument, so simply calling <code>printf()</code> is invalid. But the following uses are allowed: