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| hereinafter (collectively) referred to as the assignor, has invented a certain improvement |
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| relating to METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR FOLDING FLAPS ON BLANKS OF PACKETS FOR ROD-SHAPED |
| SMOKERS' PRODUCTS for which said assignor has caused an application |
| for United States Letters Patent to be prepared, [X] the inventor's declaration for said application being executed |
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| in the United States Patent and Trademark Office; |
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| [] said application having been filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty on |
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| AND WHEREAS Topack Verpackungstechnik GmbH, Grabauer Strasse 49, D-21493 Schwarzenbek, |
| Germany , hereinafter referred to as |
| the assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and in and to said invention and any and all patents which may be granted therefor, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof; |
| NOW THIS WITNESSETH, that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good |
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