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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Robert G. Field and Michael W. Layne for METHOD FOR SECURE KEY DISTRIBUTION OVER A NONSECURE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK.

### Enclosed are:

 $\boxtimes$  7 sheets of  $\boxtimes$  informal  $\square$  formal drawings consisting of 7 figures.

An assignment of the invention:

from (1) Name of conveying parties: Robert G. Field and Michael W. Layne; to (2) Name and address of receiving party: SIGNALS, INC., 46950 Community Plaza, Suite 101-184, Sterling, VA 20164; (3) Description of interest conveyed: assignment of this invention and patent application; (4) Application number to be recorded: 08/956,720 filed on 10/23/1997; (5) Name and address of correspondence party: Clyde R Christofferson, 2915 Hunter Mill Road, Suite 18, Oakton, VA 22124; (6) The number of applications and total fee: one, \$40; (7) Date assignment was executed: October 23, 1997; (8) Designated domestic representative: not applicable; (9) Certification of true and correct and (10) Signature of submitting party: see below;

resubmitted referencing DOCUMENT ID NO.: 100678145

- ☐ An information disclosure statement.
- ☑ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27.
- A combined declaration and power of attorney

The filing fee has been calculated as follows (fees effective 10/1/97): basic filing fee for a small entity, \$395; no additional charges for total claims (which are less than 20), independent claims (which are less than 3) or multiple dependent claims (which are none), for a total filing fee of \$395; and a fee for recordation of assignment, \$40.

A check is attached in the amount of \$435.00 to cover the \( \) filing fee and the \( \) recording fee. All the foregoing information is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief. A duplicate of this form is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Clyde R Christofferson Reg. No. 34,138

PATENT

REEL: 9299 FRAME: 0225

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**BASIC FEE Total Claims** 

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- ☐ A certified copy of application Serial No.
- ☐ An information disclosure statement.

No. Filed No.

-20 = 0

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- ☐ A preliminary amendment.

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**Small Entity** 

Rate	Fee
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Other Than a Small Entity

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× \$ 22 × \$ 82 × \$270	\$790.00 \$ \$ \$
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**PATENT** REEL: 9299 FRAME: 0226

Docket No.: SI-001

## **ASSIGNMENT**

Whereas, we

inventor

(1) ROBERT G. FIELD County of Fairfax

City of McLean State of Virginia

and

(2) MICHAEL W. LAYNE County of Loudoun

City of Ashburn State of Virginia

Title

have invented certain improvements in

METHOD FOR SECURE KEY DISTRIBUTION OVER A NONSECURE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

Dates That

and have executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on

Inventors
Signed the
Declaration

(1) October 23, 1997 , and (2)

October 23, 1997.

Whereas, Signals, Inc., a corporation of Virginia, having a place of business at Sterling, Virginia 20164, (hereinafter called Signals), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in the said application and invention, and to any United States and foreign patents to be obtained therefor;

Now therefore, for a valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we the above named hereby sell, assign, and transfer to Signals, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the said application and invention therein disclosed for the United States and foreign countries, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application, and we request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in said application to Signals, its successors and assigns; and we hereby agree that Signals may apply for foreign Letters Patent on said invention and we will execute all papers necessary in connection with the United States and foreign applications when called upon to do so by Signals.

City (1) Signed at Fairfax, Virginia

Date on October 23, 1997

Robert G. Field signature

Last Name

First Name Middle Initial Last Name

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City (2) Signed at

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### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR §1.8**

Date of Deposit: June 26, 1998

I hereby certify that the documents submitted herewith, in connection with the recordation of assignment in the application of Robert G. Field and Michael W. Layne on **METHOD FOR SECURE KEY DISTRIBUTION OVER A NONSECURE COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK**, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service service as first class mail, postage prepaid, under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 on the date indicated above and addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Assignment Division, Box Assignments, CG-4, 1213 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 320, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of

Robert G. Field and Michael W. Layne

Serial No. 08/956,720

Group Art Unit

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For METHOD FOR SECURE KEY DISTRIBUTION OVER A NONSECURE

COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

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CORRECTED COVER SHEET COMPLYING WITH 37 C.F.R. §3.21

Sir:

In response to NOTICE OF NON-RECORDATION OF DOCUMENT dated May 30, 1998, there is herewith submitted a new cover sheet reflecting the correct information to be recorded and the document ID number (100678145) referenced in said NOTICE, together with the resubmitted original assignment document and cover sheet including a stamp with the official date of receipt under 37 CFR 3.

The foregoing response is submitted using the certified procedure under 37 CFR 1.8.

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