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ASSIGNMENT OF U.S.A. PATENT APPLICATION

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(U.S.A. rights only: all U.S.A rights assigned by inventors to a single assignee)

WHEREAS,

(Inventors:)

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(hereinafter referred to as the "ASSIGNORS") have invented certain new and useful improvements in: A PACK FOR SMOKING ARTICLES, for which ASSIGNORS have

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[] executed on _____, 19____

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an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, Serial No. _____.

And WHEREAS, IMPERIAL TOBACCO LIMITED, a company organized under the laws of the United Kingdom and having a principal place of business at: P.O. Box 244, Upton Road, Bristol BS99 7UJ, United Kingdom (hereinafter referred to as the "ASSIGNEE") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the invention disclosed therein, and in and to all Letters Patent of the United States which may issue thereon, including any and all divisions, continuations, reexaminations, reissues, renewals and/or extensions of such Letters Patent.

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of the sum of one U.S. dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the ASSIGNORS do hereby assign, sell, transfer and set over unto the ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed, for the United States, and any Letters Patent which

may issue therefor in the United States and all divisions, continuations, reexaminations, reissues, renewals and/or extensions thereof, said ASSIGNEE to have and to hold the interests herein assigned to the full ends of the terms of said Letters Patent and any and all divisions, continuations, reexaminations, reissues, renewals and/or extensions thereof, respectively, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the ASSIGNORS had this assignment not been made.

And for the consideration aforesaid, ASSIGNORS agree that ASSIGNORS will, upon request, without expense to ASSIGNORS, testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, reexamination, reissue, renewal and/or extension applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do all other and further lawful acts, deemed necessary or expedient by said ASSIGNEE or by counsel for said ASSIGNEE, to assist or enable said ASSIGNEE to obtain and enforce full benefits from the rights and interests herein assigned.

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The Commissioner of Patents is requested to issue such Letters Patent in accordance with this assignment.

I hereby authorize and request any attorney of record in said Application or any attorney of Larson and Taylor, Suite 900, 1199 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia, 22314, to insert above any information concerning the identity of the parties or of said Application including the Serial No. and filing date of said Application.

(1) Date: X 15/10/98 Signature: C. L. ...

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