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hereinafter called assignor, have invented certain improvements in SUPPORTING WEB-QUERY EXPANSION EFFICIENTLY USING MULTI-GRANULARITY INDEXING AND QUERY PROCESSING	
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(assignee) desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in the application and invention for the United States of America, and to any United States patents to be obtained therefor;	
NOW THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,	
I, the above named assignor, hereby sell, assign and transfer to the above named assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in the application and the invention disclosed therein for the United States of America, and I request the United States Commissioner of Patents to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in the application to the assignee, its successors and assigns; and I/we hereby agree that I will execute without further consideration all papers deemed necessary by the assignee in connection with the United States application when called upon to do so by the assignee. I hereby authorize and request our attorneys SUGHRUE, MION, ZINN, MACPEAK & SEAS of 1010 El Camino Real, Suite 360, Menlo Park, CA 94025 to insert here in parentheses (Application Number, filed) the filing date and application number of said application when known.	
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