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In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (U.S. \$1.00) in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned,

Hideo HOTOMI

hereby sells, assigns and transfers to MINOLTA CO., LTD., a corporation duly organized under the laws of Japan, and having a place of business at Osaka Kokusai Building, 3-13, 2-Chome Azuchi-machi, Chuo-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka, Japan, (hereinafter called Assignee) the entire right, title, and interest in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent entitled

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which application was executed by the undersigned on

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including said application and any and all divisions, continuations, and substitutes thereof and any and all United States Letters Patents which may be granted therefor and any and all extensions, reissues, renewals or reexaminations thereof, and the right to all benefits under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property.

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Further, it is agreed that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, the

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Signed this <u>19th</u> day of <u>October</u>, 1998.

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