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ASSIGNMENT

For value received, I/We,			
Masakazu NAKANISHI residing at_	Hashimoto-Shi,	Wakayama-Ken,	_JAPAN

hereby sell, assign, and transfer to Minolta Co., Ltd., a corporation existing under the laws of Japan, located at Osaka Kokusai Building, 3-13, 2-chome, Azuchi-machi, Chuo-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka, 541-8556, Japan,

and its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the entire right, title, and interest for all countries including the United States of America. in and to certain inventions relating to

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The Assignor(s) hereby authorizes and requests the attorneys of Burns, Doane, Swecker & Mathis, L.L.P. of Alexandria, Virginia, to insert in the spaces provided above the filing date, scrial number, and attorney docket number of said application if not previously inserted.

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