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Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?

☐ Yes☒ No

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One

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residing respectively at

**29-15-202, Togashira 6-chome, Toride-shi, Ibaraki-ken, Japan;**  
**5-7, Hongo 5-chome, Toride-shi, Ibaraki-ken, Japan; and**  
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hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto **CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA**

a corporation of Japan

having a place of business at **30-2, Shimomaruko 3-chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo, Japan**

its successors, assigns and legal representatives (hereinafter called the "Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest, for the United States, in and to certain inventions relating to

**IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS**and described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States filed by us on **October 20, 1998**and which has been accorded Application No. **09/175,449**

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By: Tadashi Takano  
**TADASHI TAKANO**

Date: November 24, 1998

By: Hideaki Nagahara  
**HIDEAKI NAGAHARA**

Date: November 25, 1998

By: Daigo Nakagawa  
**DAIGO NAKAGAWA**

Date: November 26, 1998

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_