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NAME AND ADDRESS
OF ASSIGNOR

**(HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS ASSIGNOR), have
invented and own a certain invention entitled:**

TITLE OF INVENTION:

"DISPENSER FOR SELECTIVELY EXTENDING AND
RETRACTING A SUBSTANTIALLY STICK-SHAPED
OBJECT, AND THREAD MEANS FOR INCORPORATION
IN THE DISPENSER"

FULL NAME AND ADDRESS
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WHEREAS, KOTOBUKI & CO., LTD. of 13,
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**(hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), is desirous of acquiring
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/We have hereunto set
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