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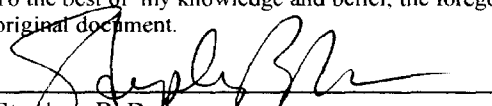


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	(3) _____	(7) _____
	(4) _____	(8) _____

In consideration of the sum of dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned, the undersigned agree(s) to assign, and hereby does assign, transfer and set over to

(9) Insert name of Assignee (9) SpeedFam Co., Ltd.

(10) Insert address of Assignee (10) 30-3, Nishirokugou 4-chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo, Japan

(hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire right, title and interest for the United States, its territories, dependencies and possessions, in the invention, and all applications for patent and any Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, known as

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for which the undersigned have executed an application for patent in the United States of America

(12) Insert Date of Signing of Application (12) on _____

(13) Alternative identification (13) U.S. Application(s) Serial Number(s) 09/260,403 for filed application(s) filed March 1, 1999

1) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with the application and any continuing or divisional applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

2) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or continuation or division thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

3) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents and perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

4) The undersigned agree(s) to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of a valid United States patent to the Assignee.

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Date APRIL 7TH 1999 Signature Hatsuyuki Arai (SEAL)
Hatsuyuki Arai

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