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**ASSIGNMENT****Whereas, we****-1** Jean-Claude Abbiate**of:** La Gaude, France**and (2)** Alain Blanc**of:** Tourrettes Sur Loup, France**and (3)** Bernard Brezzo**of:** Nice, France**and (4)** Sylvie Gohl**of:** La Colle Sur Loup, France**and (5)** Michel Poret**of:** Gattieres, France

have invented certain improvements in

**Service Message System for a Switching Architecture**

and have executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on

-1 *Nov 12 1999* -2 *May 12 1999* -3 *Apr 30 1999*  
-4 *Apr 30 1999* -5 *Nov 12 1999*

And whereas, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION, a corporation of New York, having a place of business at Armonk, New York 10504, (hereinafter called IBM), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in the said application and invention, and to any United States and foreign patents to be obtained therefor;

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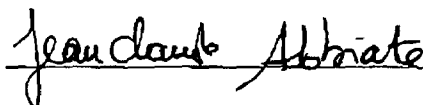
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and we will execute all papers necessary in connection with the United States and foreign applications when called upon to do so by IBM.

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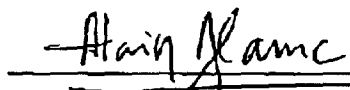
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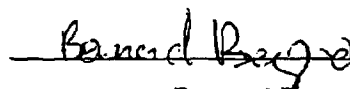
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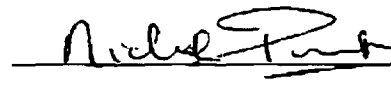
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