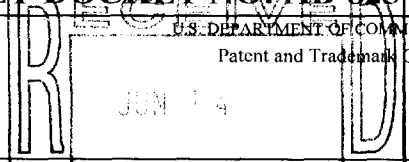


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WHEREAS, we, Kou MASUDA, Hiroyoshi YAMAGUCHI, Eiji SHIMIZU, Takeshi ITO, Tomoharu OHI, c/o NHK SPRING CO., LTD., 10 Fukuura 3-chome, Kanazawa-ku, Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa, JAPAN, and Toshiki TAKAHASHI, c/o Kabushiki Kaisha Honda Gijutsu Kenkyusho, 4-1 Chuo 1-chome, Wako-shi, Saitama-ken, Japan have invented a new and useful " SEAT BELT PRETENSIONER DEVICE " for which on April 26, 1999 executed application papers for United States Letters Patent thereon, Serial No. 09/295,737 Filed April 20, 1999 ; and

WHEREAS, NHK SPRING CO., LTD. and Honda Giken Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha, corporations of Japan having their principal places of business at 10 Fukuura 3-chome, Kanazawa-ku, Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa, JAPAN and 1-1 Minamiaoyama 2-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan are desirous of acquiring the exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to the Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor in the United States of America and its territories and possessions, and all countries foreign thereto:

NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the said Kou MASUDA, Hiroyoshi YAMAGUCHI, Eiji SHIMIZU, Takeshi ITO, Tomoharu OHI, and Toshiki TAKAHASHI do hereby sell assign, transfer, and set over unto the said NHK SPRING CO., LTD. and Honda Giken Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha, their successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to the said invention, and in and to any and all Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor, not only for, to and in the United States of America, its territories and possessions, but for, to and in all other countries including all priority rights under the International Convention; and thereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said NHK SPRING CO., LTD. and Honda Giken Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha, their successors and assigns in accordance with this assignment.

WITNESS at Yokohama, JAPAN

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