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PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we Kristian Berings, a citizen of Belgium, residing at Trudobron 75,3800 Sint Truiden, Belgium; and Frieda Jacqueline Helene Sporen, a citizen of Belgium, residing at Massveld 16, 3630 Houthalen, Belgium;(herein called "Assignors"), are the inventors and owners of a certain new and useful invention(s) (herein "Invention") and improvement(s) entitled BOIL-IN-BAG SACHET; and

WHEREAS, N.V. MASTERFOODS S.A., a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws the country of Belgium, and having a principal place of business at Industrielaan 5, B-250 Olen, Belgium (herein called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring and Assignors are desirous of assigning to Assignee all right, title and interest in and to said Invention, improvement and any patent and patent application thereon in BOIL-IN-BAG SACHET;

NOW, THEREFORE, Assignors, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) cash in hand paid to them and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby SELL, ASSIGN and CONVEY unto Assignee all our right, title, and interest throughout the world in and to:

1. Said Invention and improvements in BOIL-IN-BAG SACHET ;
2. United States of America patent application on said Invention filed March 29, 1999, under Serial No. 09/280,381;
3. All applications for patent or like protection on said Invention that have now been or may in the future be made by Assignors or their legal representatives, whether in the United States of America or any other country or place anywhere in the world;
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5. All substitutions for and divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, renewals, reissues, extensions, and the like of said applications and patents and like grants, including without limitation, those obtained or permissible under past, present and future law or statutes;

6. All rights of action on account of past, present and future unauthorized use of said Invention and for infringement of said patents and like protection;

7. The right to Assignee to file in its name applications for patents and like protection for said Invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States; and

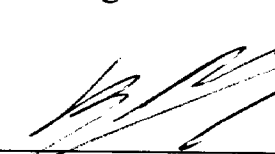
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The U.S. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby requested to issue U.S. Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment.

EXECUTED on the date indicated below opposite our signatures.

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