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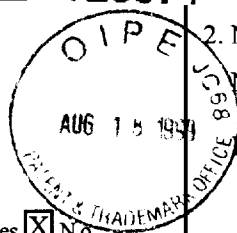


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(5) OLYMPUS OPTICAL CO., LTD.

(5a) of 43-2, Hatagaya 2-Chome, Shibuya-Ku, Tokyo, Japan

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(hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire rights, title and interest for the United States, its territories, dependencies and possessions, and for the country of

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(8) METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CREATING VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT, AND RECORD MEDIUM HAVING RECORDED THEREON COMPUTER READABLE PROGRAM FOR CREATING VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT (Case No. \_\_\_\_\_)

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 Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Inventor (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (SEAL)

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