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**Insert Name(s)  
of Inventor(s)** ➡

WHEREAS, Manabu HASHIMOTO

**Insert Title  
of Invention** ➡

(hereinafter designated as the undersigned) has (have) invented certain new and useful improvements in \_\_\_\_\_  
KEY LAYOUT SETTING APPARATUS TO LAY OUT PLURALITY OF KEYS  
ARBITRARILY FOR DATA INPUT, KEY LAYOUT SETTING METHOD,  
COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM IN WHICH KEY LAYOUT SETTING PROGRAM  
IS STORED, AND PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR KEY LAYOUT SETTING PROGRAM

for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America has been executed by the undersigned

**Insert Date  
of Signing of  
Application** ➡

on July 21, 1999; and

**Insert Name  
of Assignee** ➡

WHEREAS, Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha

**Insert Address  
of Assignee** ➡

of 22-22, Nagaike-cho, Abeno-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka, Japan

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IF APPROPRIATE** ➡

its heirs, successors, legal representatives and assigns (hereinafter designated as the Assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent(s) that may be granted therefor in the United States of America and  in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to the undersigned in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, the undersigned has (have) sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States of America, its territories, dependencies and possessions and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent(s) which may be granted therefor in the United States of America, its territories, dependencies and possessions, and if the box above is designated, in any and all foreign countries;

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