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Motoshi YAMAGUCHI, Koutaro KAWABE, Reiji SEKI and Akihiko FUJINO

hereby sells, assigns and transfers to MINOLTA CO., LTD., a corporation duly organized under the laws of Japan, and having a place of business at Osaka Kokusai Building, 3-13, 2-Chome Azuchi-machi, Chuo-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka, Japan, (hereinafter called Assignee) the entire right, title, and interest in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent entitled

EXPOSURE OPERATION MECHANISM OF CAMERA

which application was filed by the undersigned on July 29, 1999 and accorded serial no. 09/363,863

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Further, it is agreed that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, and reissue patent applications; execute all rightful other papers; and generally do everything possible which said Assignee shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection.

Signed this 17th day of September, 1999.

Motoshi Yamaguchi
Motoshi YAMAGUCHI

Signed this 20th day of September, 1999.

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Koutaro KAWABE

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