



ASSIGNMENT

Docket No. JA9-97-009X

Whereas, we

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AND CITY

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of Zama-shi,  
and State of Japan,

and (2) Keiji Kobayashi  
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of Fujisawa-shi,  
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and (3) Kazunari Tsuchimoto  
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have invented certain improvements in

TITLE

Information Storing Method, Information Storing Unit, and Disk Drive

DATES THAT  
INVENTORS  
SIGNED THE  
DECLARATION

and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on

(1) 01/20, 1998, (2) 01/20, 1998, (3) 01/21, 1998.

Whereas, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION, a corporation of New York, having a place of business at Armonk, New York 10504, (hereinafter called IBM), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in the said application and invention, and to any United States and foreign patents to be obtained therefor;

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Signed and sealed

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(1) at Fujisawa  
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