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# ASSIGNMENT (Design)

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whose post office address(es) appear(s) below, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR, have invented a certain new and useful  
DESIGN for Furniture,

(hereinafter referred to as the DESIGN) for which an application for United States Letters Patent was

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WHEREAS, CARIOCA N.V. Luc VERTONGEN  
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hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the same in the  
United States;

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