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In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations paid to each of the undersigned, the undersigned agree(s) to assign, and hereby does assign, transfer and set over to

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| (9) <i>Insert name of Assignee</i>   | (9) Kokusai Electric Co., Ltd.  |
| (10) <i>Insert state of Incorporation of Assignee</i>  | (10) Tokyo, JAPAN   |
| (11) <i>Insert address of Assignee</i>   | (11) of 14-20, 3-chome, Higashi-Nakano, Nakano-ku, Tokyo 164-8511, JAPAN (hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire worldwide right, title and interest in the invention known as                |
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