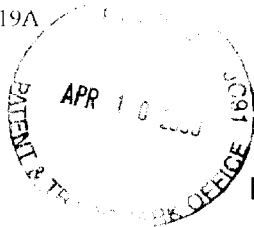


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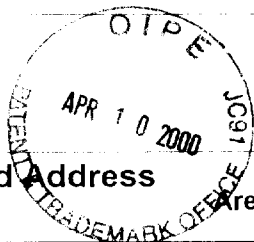
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AND WHEREAS, ORTHOPAEDIC BIOSYSTEMS LTD., INC. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Arizona having its principal place of business at 15990 North Greenway-Hayden Loop, Suite 100, Scottsdale, Arizona 85260, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

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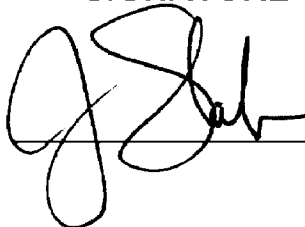
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