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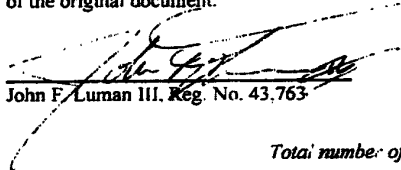
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WHEREAS, COUNCIL FOR THE CENTRAL LABORATORY OF THE RESEARCH COUNCILS is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention throughout the world, and all right, title and interest in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of the United States and all other countries throughout the world;

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EXECUTED THIS 2nd day of November, 1999.



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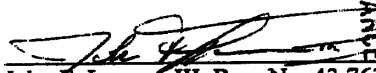
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