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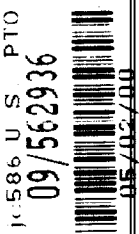
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Applicant Microsoft Corporation
Attorney's Docket No. MS1-461US
Title: Resource Manager Architecture with Resource Allocation Utilizing Priority-
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AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, ASSIGNOR(S) (listed above) are inventor(s) of an invention entitled "Resource Manager Architecture with Resource Allocation Utilizing Priority-Based Preemption." as described and claimed in the specification forming part of an application for United States letters patent executed herewith;

WHEREAS, Microsoft Corporation (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the State of Washington having a place of business

1 at One Microsoft Way, Redmond, WA 98052, is desirous of acquiring the entire
2 right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that
3 may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

4 NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the
5 receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR(S) hereby sell, assign and
6 transfer unto ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said
7 invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for
8 said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in
9 any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues and
10 continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the
11 name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States
12 application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international
13 convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on
14 said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and
15 assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and
16 entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR(S) had this
17 assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNOR(S) hereby authorize
18 and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent
19 on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNOR(S) agree to execute all instruments
20 and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United
21 States and foreign letters patent on said invention, for litigation regarding said
22 letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters
23 patent therefor.

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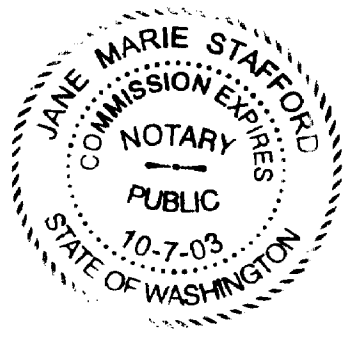
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Dated *10.07.03 JRS* 4.27.00



Signature of Notary Public *Jane Marie Stafford*

My appointment expires 10.07.03