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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS WE:

Daniel Martin O'Keeffe, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland, residing at Teach O Caoimh, Glanworth Road, Ballyhooly, Co. Cork, Republic of Ireland, Kevin Loughran, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland, residing at Cavanaguilla, Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan, Republic of Ireland, Mark Anthony Hughes, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland, residing at 16 Grange Park Avenue, Raheny, Dublin 5, Republic of Ireland and Paul James Moran, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland, residing at The Bye, 120 Green End Road, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP1 1RT, England (hereinafter ASSIGNORS), have invented new and useful improvements in:

STACKABLE NETWORK UNIT INCLUDING REGISTERS FOR IDENTIFYING
STACK MEMBERS AND TRUNK PORTS

for which an application for a patent for said invention in the United States of America is currently being executed and in respect of which an earlier application was filed as follows:

No. 0004515.3 in Great Britain on 26 February 2000.

AND WHEREAS:

3Com Corporation, a corporation of Delaware, having an office and place of business at 5400 Bayfront Plaza, Santa Clara, California 95052-8145, United States of America (US), hereinafter called ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the whole interest in and to the invention

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and by virtue of other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the said ASSIGNORS by these presents hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and all other countries, as described in the accompanying specification, and the aforesaid British application, said right including the right to claim priority from the said British application in respect of the United States and all foreign countries and territories. We the ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue Letters Patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE, for its interest as ASSIGNEE, for the sole use and behalf of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives.

AGREED and executed as noted below

Daniel Martin O'Keeffe 7/4/00
Name: Daniel Martin O'Keeffe Date

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Kevin Loughran 7/4/00
Name: Kevin Loughran Date

Witnessed by: Declan Halpin

Mark Anthony Hughes 7/4/00
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Paul J Moran

Name: Paul James Moran

17 April 2000

Date

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