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for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America has been executed by the undersigned on _______, and;

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