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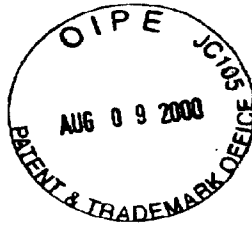
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have invented an improvement in _____
ARTICULATION, ESPECIALLY FOR CONNECTING SIDEPieces OF LADDERS

for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States
[] is being made herewith;

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AND WHEREAS, Rauschenberger GmbH u. Co. of Mark-
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is desirous of acquiring an interest in the same;

Now, Therefore, in consideration of One Dollar and other
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and hereby request that said Letters Patent issue accordingly.
For said considerations, I, ~~XXX~~ Jörg Rauschenberger

agree to execute all papers that may be necessary to file
applications in the United States for said invention and to
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title to said invention, and to execute any other papers that may
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In Testimony whereof, this assignment is being executed this
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(Jörg Rauschenberger)