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Whereas, Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation, a Japanese corporation of 3-1 Otemachi 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8116, Japan (hereinafter referred to as Assignee) is desirous of acquiring an interest therein and in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

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