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## **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, we, Nobuo YOKOUCHI and Shinya SUZUKI
have invented new and useful improvements in
RETRACTABLE TYPE WRITING INSTRUMENT
for which $\underline{\text{we}}$ have prepared an application for Letters Patent of
the United States of America;
AND WHEREAS, PENTEL KABUSHIKI KAISHA
of 7-2, Nihonbashi Koami-cho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103-8538, Japan
is desirous of acquiring an interest therein and in the Letters  Patent to be obtained therefor;
NOW, THEREFORE, be it known by all whom it may
concern, that for and in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00)
and other good and valuable consideration to us in hand paid, the
receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have assigned, sold
and transferred and by these presents do hereby assign, sell and
transfer unto the said PENTEL KABUSHIKI KAIHSA
for the territory of the United
States of America, our entire right, title and interest in and to
the said invention, and in and to the said application, prepared
and executed by us on August 7,2000, x x filed
XX, Serial No, preparatory to obtaining Letters
Patent thereon and in and to any and all divisions, reissues and

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continuations thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent that may
be granted thereon; said invention, application and Letters
Patent to be held and enjoyed by the said
PENTEL KABUSHIKI KAISHA
its legal representatives and assigns, as fully and entirely as
the same would have been held by $\underline{\mathtt{us}}$ had this assignment, sale and
transfer not been made.
AND, we hereby covenant and agree that we will at
any time upon the request and at the expense of said assignee
execute and deliver any and all papers and do all lawful acts
that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said
invention and to obtain Letters Patent therefor, and $\underline{we}$ hereby
authorize and request the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and
Frademarks to issue the said Letters Patent to the said
PENTEL KABUSHIKI KAISHA
Executed this 2th day of August, Tokyo, Japan
Shinya Suzuki (L.S.)
Nobuo Yokouchi (L.S.)  Nobuo Yokouchi
(L.S.)
(L.s.)
(L.S.)

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