

A S S I G N M E N T

Whereas, we,

(1) Danny Marvin Neal of Round Rock,
County of Williamson and State of Texas,

and
(2) Renato John Recio of Austin,
County of Travis and State of Texas,

and
(3) Steven Mark Thurber of Austin,
County of Williamson and State of Texas,

have invented certain improvements in

A SYSTEM AREA NETWORK OF END-TO-END CONTEXT VIA RELIABLE DATAGRAM DOMAINS

and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefore on
(Dates Inventors Signed Declaration) (1) 10/12, 2000, and
(2) 10/16, 2000, and (3) 10/12, 2000.

Whereas, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION, a corporation of
New York, having a place of business at Armonk, New York 10504, (hereinafter
called IBM), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in the
said application and invention, and to any United States and foreign patents
to be obtained therefore;

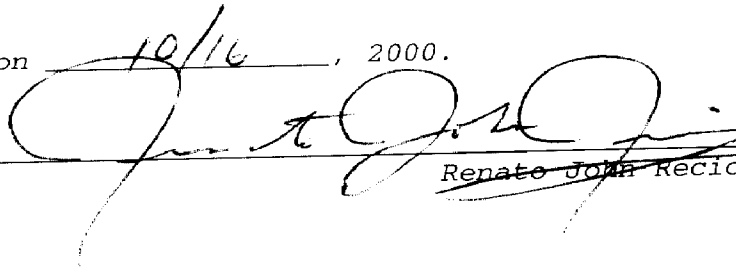
Now therefore, for a valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby
acknowledged, we, the above named, hereby sell, assign, and transfer to IBM,
its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the said
application and invention therein disclosed for the United States and foreign
countries, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United
States application, and we request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any
Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in said application to
IBM, its successors and assigns; and we hereby agree that IBM may apply for
foreign Letters Patent on said invention and we will execute all papers
necessary in connection with the United States and foreign applications when
called upon to do so by IBM.

(1) Signed at Austin on 10/12, 2000.



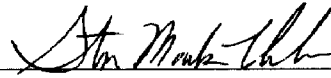
Danny Marvin Neal

and (2) Signed at Austin on 10/16, 2000.



Renato John Recio

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Steven Mark Thurber