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have invented certain improvements in APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR AVOIDING DEADLOCKS IN A MULTITHREADED ENVIRONMENT and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefore on (Dates Inventors Signed Declaration) (1) ________, 2000, and (2) ________, 2000.

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