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I/we KINICHI SUGIMOTO

of Tokyo, Japan

having invented certain inventions and improvements in DATA STORAGE DEVICE AND
INTERFACE DEVICE FOR THE DATA STORAGE DEVICE

and having executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America describing the same and based thereon on October 31, 2000; (and I/we hereby authorize our attorneys, authorized to prosecute said application, to here insert the filing date and serial number of said application, when known, Serial No. _____, filed _____), for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby

acknowledged from **NEC CORPORATION**, a Japanese corporation having its principal place of business at 7-1, Shiba 5-chome, Minato-Ku, Tokyo, Japan, (hereinafter called the Assignee), do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the Assignee, its successors, and assigns my/our entire right, title, and interest, in and to said invention in the United States of America, including all rights, title and interest in the above-mentioned application and any divisional, continuing or reissue application or applications and any patent which may be issued on the said invention in the United states of America;

And for the same consideration I/we do agree that I/we will upon request execute any instrument which the Assignee may desire to carry this Assignment into effect and perfect the title transferred hereby or prosecute the above-mentioned application;

And I/we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America to issue Letters Patent on the said application to the Assignee;

And I/we do hereby jointly and severally covenant for ourselves and for our legal representatives that I/we have granted no right or license to make, use, or sell said inventions to anyone except the Assignee, that prior to the execution of this deed our right, title, and interest in and to said inventions or any of them or any part thereof has not been otherwise encumbered by us, and that I/we have not executed and will not execute any instrument in conflict herewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/we hereunto set our hands and seals on the day and year hereinafter noted.

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Inventor's signature Kinichi Sugimoto  Date October 31, 2000

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