



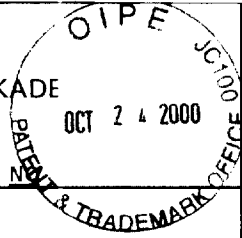
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**Insert Name(s)  
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Hisashi NISHIKAWA and Yoshivuki NAKADE

the undersigned hereby sell(s) and assign(s) to

**Insert Name(s)  
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Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.

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(hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire right, title and interest for the United States of America as defined in 35 USC 100, in the invention known as

**Title of  
Invention**

LEVER SWITCH AND COMPLEX SWITCH USING THE SAME

for which an application for patent in the United States of America has been executed by the undersigned on

**Date of Signing  
of Application**

September 29, 2000

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with this application and any continuing, divisional or reissue applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or continuation, division or reissue thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

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The undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents of the United States resulting from said application or any division or divisions or continuing or reissue applications thereof to the said Assignee, as Assignee of the entire interest, and hereby covenants that he has (they have) full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he has (they have) not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

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Date September 29, 2000, Name of Inventor Tisushi Nishikawa

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to me personally known as the individual(s) who executed the foregoing assignment, who did acknowledge to me that he (they) executed the same of his (their) own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

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