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and Klaus Weber, ~~Friedenstrasse 58~~, D-75015 Bretten, Germany, have invented an
improvement in Apparatus and Method for Handling Substrates

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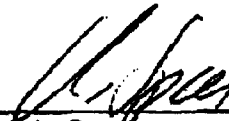
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AND WHEREAS, Steag Hama Tech AG, Ferdinand-von-Steinbes-Ring 10, D-75447 Sternfels, Germany, is desirous of acquiring an interest in the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby assign to the said, Steag Hama Tech AG, its assigns and legal representatives, all the right, title and interest in and to said invention for the United States and its territories, and in and to said Letters Patent, continuations, divisions, reissues and extensions thereof in the United States, and hereby request that said Letters Patent issue accordingly. For said considerations, we, Ulrich Speer and Klaus Weber, agree to execute all papers that may be necessary to file applications in the United States for said invention and to assign the same to said Steag Hama Tech AG, or any assignee acquiring title to said invention, and to execute any other papers that may be needed in connection with filing said applications and securing patents thereon.

In Testimony whereof, this assignment is being executed this 12 day of September 2000.



Ulrich Speer



Klaus Weber