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WHEREAS, AEROQUIP-VICKERS INTERNATIONAL GMBH, of Dr.-Reckeweg-Strasse 1, 76532 Baden-Baden, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to said invention and any Letters Patent to issue therefor;

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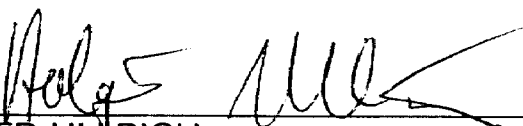
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