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## ASSIGNMENT

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citizen(s) of <u>JAPAN</u>, residing at <u>Sunheim Shonan 201, 41-14 Yuhigaoka, Hiratsuka-shi, Kanagawa 254-0806, Japan;</u> has <u>have</u> invented certain new and useful improvements (INVENTION) disclosed, shown, and described in an APPLICATION for Letters Patent of the United States entitled:

## CUP-TYPE PLATING APPARATUS

said APPLICATION being executed concurrently herewith; and

WHEREAS, Electroplating Engineers of Japan Limited						
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(ASSIGNEE) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in	and to the					
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF this assignment has been executed by UNDERSIGNED on the date opposite their name.

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