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I, John J. Frantzen, in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid to the undersigned, agree to assign, and hereby do assign, transfer and set over to Nellix, Inc., a Delaware corporation, whose address is 450 Cabot Road, S. San Francisco, California 94080, the entire right, title and interest in and to the inventions known as: Radially Expandable Stent Featuring Aneurysm Covering Surface, for which an application for patent in the United States Patent and Trademark Office has been filed on May 16, 2000 and received Application Number 60/204,458; Radially Expandable Stent Featuring Aneurysm Covering Surface, for which an application for patent in the United States Patent and Trademark Office has been filed on June 8, 2000 and received Application Number 09/590,474; Radially Expandable Stent Featuring Covering Tip Primarily for Bifurcated Artery Aneurysms, for which an application for patent in the United States Patent and Trademark Office has been filed on June 8, 2000 and received Application Number 09/590,475; Radially Expandable Aneurysm Treatment Stent, for which an application for patent in the United States Patent and Trademark Office has been filed on June 23, 2000 and received Application Number 09/602,767; Vascular Stent-Graft Apparatus and Forming Method, for which an application for patent in the United States Patent and Trademark Office has been filed on September 27, 2000 and received Application Number 09/671,550; Radially Expandable Stent Featuring Accordion Stops for which a patent issued in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 3, 1999 and received Patent No. 5,931,866; Stent Delivery System Featuring a Flexible Balloon for which a patent issued in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 8, 2000 and received Patent No. 6,022,359; Axially Non-Contracting Flexible Radially Expandable Stent for which a patent issued in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 4, 2000 and received Patent No. 6,083,259; and Segmented Stent for Flexible Stent Delivery System for which a patent issued in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 13, 2001 and received Patent No. 6,187,034.

1) The undersigned agrees to execute all papers necessary in connection with each application and patent to protect the invention, and any continuing or divisional applications thereof, and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications and patents as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

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- 3) The undersigned agrees to execute all papers and documents and perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.
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