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hereinafter referred to as "Assignor", is/are the inventor(s) of the invention described and set forth in the below identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of the Invention: Ball draw-off apparatus for shaft prostheses

Date(s) of execution: April 23, 2001; April 25, 2001

Filing date: \_\_\_\_\_ Serial No.: \_\_\_\_\_ ; and

WHEREAS, Sulzer Orthopedics Ltd., Grabenstrasse 25,  
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hereinafter referred to as "Assignee", is desirous of acquiring Assignor's interest in the said invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

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Date: 25/04/2001

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