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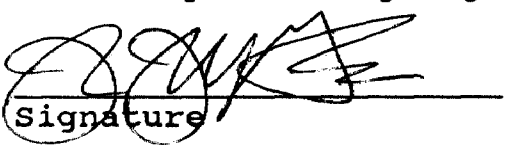
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## ASSIGNMENT OF U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, Martin RECHTIEN, Martin WELLERDING residing respectively at: Strietweg 3, 49434 Neuenkirchen-Vörden, Germany, Wellerdingshof 17, 49461 Damme, Germany have invented certain new and useful improvements in an invention entitled: PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING A LOW-FRICTION BALL-AND-SOCKET JOINT AND A BALL-AND-SOCKET JOINT MANUFACTURED ACCORDING TO THIS PROCESS

AND WHEREAS, ZF Lemförder Metallwaren AG with a principal place of business at: Dr.-Jürgen-Ulderup-Strasse 7, 32351 Stemwede-Dielingen, GERMANY (hereinafter referred to as Assignee) is desirous of acquiring an interest therein-and-in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor from the United States.

NOW THEREFORE, be it known by all whom it may concern, that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) (or the equivalent thereof in foreign currency) and other valuable consideration to us in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have assigned, sold and set over and by these presents assign, sell and set over unto said Assignee for the territory of the United States of America and not elsewhere, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the said invention, as fully set forth and described in the specification prepared and executed by us on \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, Ser. No. \_\_\_\_\_, preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent therefor; said invention, application and Letters Patent to be held and enjoyed by the said Assignee for its own use and behoof and for the use and behoof of its successors and assigns to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent is granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this Assignment and sale not been made; and we further hereby authorize Assignee or its attorneys or agents to insert the correct serial number and filing date into this assignment, if none is indicated on that date of our execution of this assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 30th day of May, 2001.

Martin Rechti 30.5.01  
Martin RECHTIEN Date

Martin Wellerding 30/5/01  
Martin WELLERDING Date

In the presence of: Vera Schleicher Bianca Mause

Witness: Vera Schleicher

Witness: Bianca Mause