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**ASSIGNMENT**

**WHEREAS**, we, ROSELY M. ZANCOPE-OLIVEIRA, TIMOTHY J. LOTT, LEONARD W. MAYER and ERROL REISS, employees of the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, at the time this invention was made, have invented "**NUCLEIC ACIDS OF THE M ANTIGEN GENE OF *HISTOPLASMA CAPSULATUM*, ANTIGENS, VACCINES AND ANTIBODIES, METHODS AND KITS FOR DETECTING HISTOPLASMAS**," for which we have made application for Letters Patent of the United States, Serial No. 09/674,195, filed October 26, 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, we are the applicants named in the above-identified applications for Letters Patent; and

**WHEREAS**, the conditions under which said invention was made are such as to entitle **THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** [hereinafter **THE GOVERNMENT**] under Paragraph 1(a) of Executive Order 10096 to the entire right, title, and interest herein, both domestic and foreign; and

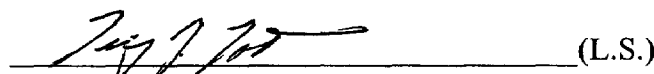
**WHEREAS**, **THE GOVERNMENT** is desirous of acquiring all domestic and foreign right, title, and interest in the above-mentioned invention described in the application(s) for Letters Patent; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, hereby assign and transfer to **THE GOVERNMENT**, represented by the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the full and exclusive rights in and to said invention in the United States and within each and every foreign country in which **THE GOVERNMENT** elects to file and the entire right, title, and interest in and to such application, and any subsequent application claiming priority to the above-identified application under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e), continuation, continuation-in-part, division, reissue, reexamination, or extension thereof, and including priority rights as may be filed in the United States and foreign countries, and such Letters Patent as may be granted to be held by **THE GOVERNMENT** to the end of the term for which the same would have been held by the inventors had this assignment not been made.


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