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have invented certain new and useful improvements in (3) TAPE CASSETTE for which application for Letters Patent in the United States of America (4) is about to be made  
has been made;

And Whereas, (5) VICTOR COMPANY OF JAPAN, LTD. of (6) No.12, 3-chome, Moriya-cho, Kanagawa-ku, Yokohama, Kanagawa-ken, Japan is desirous of acquiring an interest therein and in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

Now Therefor, be it known by all whom it may concern, that for good and valuable consideration (the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged) we have assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do assign, transfer and set over unto the said (5) VICTOR COMPANY OF JAPAN, LTD. 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

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filed in the U.S. Patent Office under Ser. No. (9) \_\_\_\_\_ on (10) \_\_\_\_\_ preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent therefor; said invention, application and Letters Patent to be held and enjoyed by the said (5) VICTOR COMPANY OF JAPAN, LTD. to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent are granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment and transfer not been made.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hand this

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