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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, new and useful improvements and inventions have been made by the undersigned, as disclosed and claimed in a prospective patent application entitled

Shedding Device in Weaving Machine

and prepared for filing in one or more countries, including a filing in the United States of America, the said application being executed by the undersigned on even date herewith, and which upon filing in the United States Patent and Trademark office will bear Serial No. _____, filed _____, (authority being hereby given to complete the above-identified data when available); and

WHEREAS, TSUDAKOMA KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA
of 18-18, Nomachi 5-chome,
Kanazawa-shi, Ishikawa-ken, Japan

hereinafter referred to as Assignee, is desirous of acquiring all right, title and interest in and to said discovery and invention, together with all Letters Patent, domestic and foreign, which may issue thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, for due consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned by these presents do(es) grant, sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee all right, title and interest in and to such discovery, invention and prospective patent application, including the right to apply for and receive a European patent thereon in the name of said Assignee, together with all Letters Patent, domestic and foreign, which may issue thereon, whether said Letters Patent issue directly or by substitution, by division, by continuation or continuation-in-part, or by reissue, the said invention, applications, Letters Patent, and all right to sue for past infringement thereunder, to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee for its own use and for its assigns, transferees, successors and legal representatives, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the undersigned had this assignment not been made.

Incident to the foregoing grant, sale and transfer of the entire right, title and interest in said invention, application and Letters Patent thereon, both domestic and foreign, the undersigned hereby agree(s) to execute any and all papers necessary and proper for the further filing or prosecution of applications for Letters Patent, and hereby request(s) that any Letters Patent be issued to said Assignee as assignee of the entire interest.

The undersigned also agree(s) that this Assignment includes all Convention priority rights with respect to corresponding foreign applications filed within the Convention period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Assignment has been executed below by the undersigned.

Inventor Jun Hirai Date June 5, 2001
Jun HIRAI
Inventor _____ Date _____