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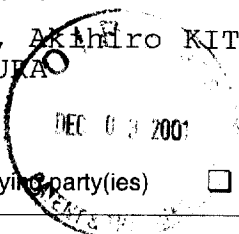
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Koichiro KITAMURA, Akihiro KITAMURA and Kosaku KITAMURA of, c/o Kitamura Machinery Co., Ltd., 1870 Toide Komyoji, Takaoka-shi, Toyama-ken, 939-11, Japan have invented certain improvements in "NC MACHINE TOOL" set forth in an application for Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Kitamura Machinery Co., Ltd., 1870 Toide Komyoji, Takaoka-shi, Toyama-ken, 939-11, Japan is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, WE, Koichiro KITAMURA, Akihiro KITAMURA and Kosaku KITAMURA by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto KITAMURA MACHINERY CO., LTD., its successors, legal representatives, heirs and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in the United States of America said application executed on the 31 day of October, 2001, (and we hereby authorize our attorneys, authorized to prosecute said application, to here insert the filing date and serial number of said application, when known: Serial No. 09/944,149 Filed September 4, 2001) to all Patents in the United States which may be granted on said application, to all divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part of said application, or reissues or extensions of said Patent, all applications for Patent and all Patent therefor, to be held and enjoyed by KITAMURA MACHINERY CO., LTD., for its use and behoof and for its legal representatives, successors, heirs, and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Patent are granted and any extensions thereof, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by ourselves had this assignment

