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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we the undersigned, Christophe DESBIEZ-PIAT, of 3, rue de la Céramique
of F-88700 RAMBERVILLERS, FRANCE
and _____
of _____
have invented a certain new and useful invention entitled HIGHLY FLEXIBLE ELASTIC HINGE
_____ ; and

WHEREAS, CHEVASSUS S.A. _____ corporation of
France _____
having a place of business at La Doye, F-39400 MOREZ, FRANCE

_____, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and
interest in and to said invention and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and Letters Patent in any
and all foreign countries which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable
consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over
unto the said Assignee, its legal representatives, successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in
and to said invention, as described in the patent application filed in the United States Patent and Trademark
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and entitled HIGHLY FLEXIBLE ELASTIC HINGE
and in and to all patents of the United States and in any and all foreign countries which may be issued for
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successors and assigns, as the sole owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to said patents and
inventions covered thereby.

18/12/2001

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Christophe DESBIEZ-PIAT

