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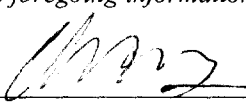
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WHEREAS, the **ASSIGNEE, Johnson Matthey Public Limited Company** of 2-4 Cockspur Street, Trafalgar Square, London SW1 5BQ, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Great Britain, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to said invention and the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, does hereby sell, assign and transfer to the **ASSIGNEE** the **ASSIGNOR'S** entire right, title and interest, for the United States of America, its territories and possessions, and for all foreign countries, in said invention, including said patent application, all divisions and continuations thereof, all rights to claim priority based thereon, all rights to file foreign applications on said invention, and all letters patent and reissues thereof, issuing for said invention in the United States of America and in any and all foreign countries.

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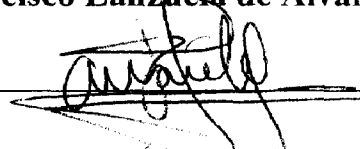
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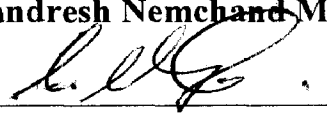
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