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WHEREAS, We, Jan van BUUREN, Karel Petrus van PUTTE and Nicolaas OVERBEEKE all of Unilever Research Vlaardingen, Olivier van Noortlaan 120, 3133 AT Vlaardingen, The Netherlands

AND WHEREAS, LIPTON, DIVISION OF CONOPCO, INC., a corporation of NEW YORK having a principal place of business at 800 SYLVAN AVENUE, ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, NEW JERSEY 07632 desires to acquire the entire right title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention, and to said United States application or any reissues, divisions, continuation, or continuation-in-part thereof, and in any Letters Patent which may issue therefrom;

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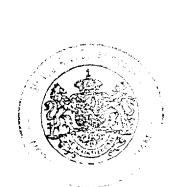
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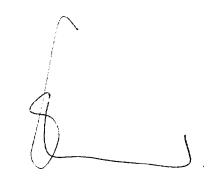


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