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ASSIGNMENT - PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, I/We, (i) YRJÄNÄ, Taisto (ii) UURTAMO, Heikki (iii) YLI-NIEMI, Jussi
of (i) Tornio (ii) Tornio (iii) Tornio, Finland
have invented certain new and useful improvements in <u>APPARATUS FOR</u> SUPPORTING <u>MATERIAL TO BE TREATED IN CONTINUOUSLY OPERATED THERMAL TREATMENT FUR</u> NACES
for which an application for United States Letters Patent was signed on even date herewith; and
WHEREAS, Outokumpu Oyj of Finland (hereinafter "Assignee") desires to acquire an interest therein and in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;
NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, I/We hereby assign and transfer to Assignee, for the territory of the United States of America and all other countries, the entire right, title, and interest in and to said improvements and in and to said application and any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and any other country including any division, continuation, substitute, renewal of reissue of said application or said Letters Patent.
I/We hereby agree to communicate to Assignee any facts known to me/us relating to said improvements, to testify as to the same in any interference or legal proceeding concerned therewith, to execute promptly and deliver to Assignee upon request any and all papers, instruments, declarations and affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain and enforce said Letters Patent, and generally to do everything necessary or desirable to vest and perfect title thereto in Assignee.
This assignment is binding upon me/us and my/our heirs, successors and personal representative, and shall inure to the benefit of Assignee, its successors, assigns and nominees.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I/We have hereunto set hand this 7th day of February , 2002
INVENTOR(S): Taista Againa Heikki Uurtamo Juni Ut-Niemi Jussi Yli-Niemi

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