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F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG (Assignor), a Swiss Company
of 124 Grenzacherstrasse, CH-4070 Basle (Switzerland)

hereby assigns to

HOFFMANN-LA ROCHE INC. (Assignee)

a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New Jersey, and having its principal place of business at Nutley, New Jersey, U.S.A.,

all of F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG's right, title and interest within the United States of America and its territories and possessions in and to the invention described and claimed in a patent application about to be filed in the U.S. Patent Office entitled:

ANTI-HCV NUCLEOSIDE DERIVATIVES

in the name(s) of the inventor(s):

**Rene Robert Devos, Christopher John Hobbs, Wen-Rong Jiang,
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and in respect of which a declaration and Power of Attorney was executed on:

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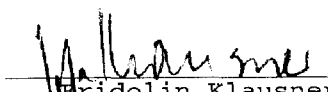
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