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for which I am/we are about to make/have made application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, identified as

Serial No. _____ filed on _____ ; and

WHEREAS,

NIKON CORPORATION,

a corporation duly organized under the laws of Japan, and having its principal office at

2-3, Marunouchi 3-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan

and duly represented by, Teruo SHIMAMURA, its President

(hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest, for the territory of the United States of America, in and to said invention, application, and Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the payment of lawful money and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I/we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest, for the territory of the United States of America, in and to said invention, as described in the specification executed by me/us on even date herewith, or on _____, entitled as above preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent of the United States of America therefor, and to said application, Letters Patent to be obtained for said invention, and any and all reissues, divisions, extensions or continuations of said application for Letters Patent which may be applied for or granted for said invention; and I/we hereby request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE, for its interest, for the sole use of ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns.

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In the presence

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