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WHEREAS, Mount Sinai School of Medicine of New York University (hereinafter "MOUNT SINAI"), having its principal place of business at One Gustave L. Levy Place, New York, New York 10029-6547, U.S.A., is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to said U.S. patent application therefor, and in and to the any application for Letters Patent therefor, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that WE, the said FRANK CARTER BANCROFT and CATHERINE CLELLAND, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), lawful money of the United States, to us in hand paid by said MOUNT SINAI, and other valuable considerations unto us moving from said MOUNT SINAI, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said MOUNT SINAI, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention entitled "DNA-BASED STEGANOGRAPHY" as set forth and described in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/566,796, filed May 5, 2000, and any and all improvements thereon, and in and to said international patent application therefor, and in and to any application for Letters Patent therefor, and any division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued on any of said applications, and any reissues thereof, and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent filed in foreign countries for said invention or improvements including all priority rights, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted in foreign countries therefor, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all said Letters Patent may be granted;

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