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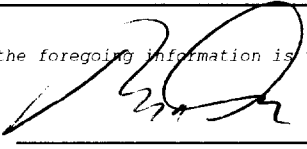


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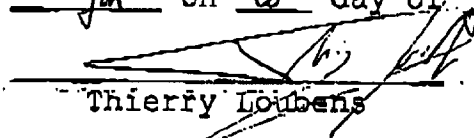
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Entitled: DETACHABLE SURGICAL INSTRUMENT

In consideration of Ten Euros (10E), and other good and valuable consideration paid to us by SOPRANE SA, whose full post office address is 97 rue Duguesclin, 69006 Lyon, France, (hereinafter, the Assignee) the receipt thereof which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors, Thierry Loubens of 31 Chemin du Monteiller, 69370 Saint Didier Au Mont D'Or, France, Lionel Riou of 218 Avenue Felix Faure, 69003 Lyon, France and Christophe Garin of 47 Cours Franklin Roosevelt, 69006 Lyon, France, do hereby sell and assign unto the said Assignee all their right, title and interest in and to the invention relating to DETACHABLE SURGICAL INSTRUMENT, as fully described and claimed in the above-referenced application for patent for such invention and to all corresponding right, title and interest in and to any patent which may issue therefor.

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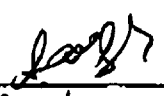
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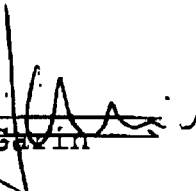
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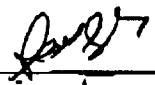
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