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WHEREAS, I (WE) TAKUJI TAKAHASHI, YOSHIKI NAGAO and SACHIKO NISHIKINO

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have invented certain new and useful improvements in: IMAGE READING APPARATUS AND IMAGING

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for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on November 12, 13 and 13, 2002

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WHEREAS, RICOH COMPANY, LTD.

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is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefore in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of FIVE DOLLARS ($5.00), the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, I (WE), by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

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