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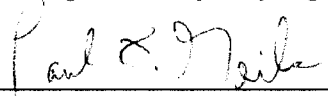
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Whereas, SIDEL, Avenue de la patrouille de France, Octeville-sur-Mer, B.P. 204, F-76053 Le Havre Cedex, FRANCE (assignee), desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in the application and invention, and to any United States patents to be obtained therefor;

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