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2. Name and Address of Receiving Party. Karl Storz GmbH & Co. KG, a German limited partnership; Mittelstrasse 8; D-78532 Tuttlingen, Germany.
3. Nature of Conveyance: Assignment. Execution Date: October 16, 2003.
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5. Application Number: This document is being filed together with a new application, which is also filed herewith.
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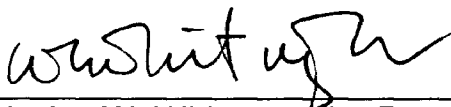
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Respectfully submitted,



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**Assignment**

**WHEREAS**, I, Ulrich Kehr, a citizen of Germany, reside at A sternweg 14; 70771 Leinfelden-Echterdingen, Germany, and have made certain inventions or discoveries (or both) as set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, entitled 'Apparatus for positioning at least one component within an endoscopic system', which application is being filed herewith;

**WHEREAS**, Karl Storz GmbH & Co. KG, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, and having an office and place of business at Mittelstraße 8; 78532 Tuttlingen, Germany, and, together with its successors and assigns is hereinafter called "Assignee", and is desirous of acquiring the title, rights, benefits and privileges hereinafter recited;

**NOW THEREFORE**, for valuable consideration furnished by Assignee to me, receipt and sufficiency of which I hereby acknowledge, I hereby, without reservation:

1. Assign, transfer and convey to Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and discoveries, said application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, any and all other applications for Letters Patent on said inventions and discoveries in whatsoever countries, including all divisional, renewal, substitute, continuation and convention applications based in whole or in part upon said inventions or discoveries, or upon said applications, and any and all Letters Patent, reissues and extensions of Letters Patent granted for said inventions and discoveries or upon said applications, and every priority right that is or may be predicated upon or arise from said inventions, said discoveries, said applications and said Letters Patent;

2. Authorize Assignee to file patent applications in any or all countries on any or all of said inventions and discoveries in my name or in the name of Assignee or otherwise as Assignee may deem advisable, under the International Convention or otherwise;

3. Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America and the empowered officials of all other governments to issue or transfer all said Letters Patents to Assignee, as assignee of the entire right, title and interest therein or otherwise as Assignee may direct;

4. Warrant that I have not knowingly conveyed to others any right in said inventions, discoveries, applications or patents or any license to use the same or to make, use or sell anything embodying or utilizing any of said inventions or discoveries; and that I have good right to assign the same to Assignee without encumbrance;

5. Bind my heirs, legal representatives and assigns, as well as myself, to do, upon Assignee's request and at Assignee's expense, but without additional consideration to me or them, all acts reasonably serving to assure that the said inventions and discoveries, the said patent applications and the same could have been held and enjoyed by me, my heirs, legal representatives and assigns if this assignment had not been made; and particularly to execute and deliver to Assignee all lawful application documents, including petitions, specifications, and oaths, and all assignments, disclaimers, and lawful affidavits in form and substance as may be requested by Assignee; to communicate to Assignee all facts known to me relating to said inventions and discoveries or the history thereof; and to furnish Assignee with any and all documents, photographs, models, samples and other physical exhibits in my control or in the control of my heirs, legal representatives or assigns, which may be useful for establishing the facts of my conceptions, disclosures, and reduction to practice of said inventions and discoveries.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal.

**INVENTOR/ASSIGNOR**

16.10.2003  
Date

Ulrich Kehr  
Ulrich Kehr  
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**Declaration of Witness**

I declare that I was personally present and did see Ulrich Kehr, who is personally known to me to be the person named in this assignment, duly sign and execute the same.

Declared at Leinfelden, on 16.10.2003

Alexandra Kehr  
Signature of Witness  
Alexandra Kehr  
Full name of Witness