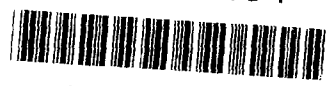


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**ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, we, Yusuf Khwaja HAMIED, of Windsor Villa, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Westfield Estate, Off Bhulabhai Desai Road, Mumbai 400 026, India, Dharmaraj Ramachandra RAO, formerly of 204 Shriji Krupa, Swaminarayannagar, Pokharan Road #1, Thane 400 601, Maharashtra, India, and now of 4/403 Garden Enclave, Pokhran Road 2, Thane West, Mumbai-400 601, Maharashtra, India, and Rajendra Narayanrao KANKAN, of A-3/5, NBD Society, NSS Road, Ghatkopar (West), Mumbai-400 084, Maharashtra, INDIA, respectively, have made a certain new and useful invention as set forth in an application for United States Letters Patent for an invention entitled PHARMACEUTICALLY ACCEPTABLE ALENDRONATE SALTS IN AMORPHOUS FORM, filed as PCT International Application No. PCT/GB02/04730, on October 18, 2002, claiming priority of Great Britain Application No. 0125081.0, filed on October 18, 2001, and filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 16, 2004, as U.S. Serial No. 10/492,977.

AND, WHEREAS, CIPLA LIMITED of 289 Bellasis Road, Mumbai Central, Mumbai 400 008, India, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries thereto which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration in hand, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto CIPLA LIMITED, its legal representatives, successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention as set forth in the above-mentioned application, and in and to any and all patents of the United States and countries foreign thereto which may be issued for said invention;

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