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## ASSIGNMENT BY INVENTORS

**THIS ASSIGNMENT**, by HIROSHI AKIYAMA , \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred to as "Assignors"),  
residing at Kanagawa, Japan , \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_,  
respectively;

**WHEREAS**, Assignors have invented certain new and useful improvements in  
ABERRATION ADJUSTMENT DEVICE, METHOD THEREOF, OPTICAL PICKUP,  
AND OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS , set forth in a patent  
application for Letters Patent of the United States, executed concurrently herewith; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricoh Company, Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), having  
offices at 3-6, Nakamagome 1-chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo 143-8555, Japan, is desirous of  
acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and said Application for  
Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States to be  
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