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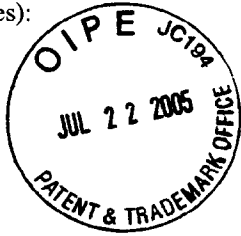
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have invented a certain improvement in "Shoe"

for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States and whereas TOD'S S.p.A., an Italian Joint-Stock Company of Via Filippo Della Valle 1, I-63019 SANT'ELPIDIO A MARE (Ascoli Piceno) Italy is desirous of acquiring an interest therein.

Now, therefore in consideration of the sum of One Dollar, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, Andrea DELLA VALLE



by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said TOD'S S.p.A. the full and exclusive right to the said invention, as described in the specification executed by me of even date herewith preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent in the United States therefor; and hereby request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to TOD'S S.p.A.

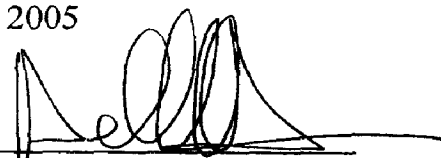
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Executed this 3rd day of June

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