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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, Akia GOUTZOULIS, a citizen of the U.S., residing at 640 Sean Drive, Annapolis, MD 21401; John B. GOODELL, a citizen of the U.S., residing at 1201 Southview Road, Baltimore, MD 21218; Gervase J. WILLIS, a citizen of the U.S., residing at 1600 Buchanan Valley, Orrtanna, PA 17353 are the inventors of an invention in OPTICAL MULTI-CHANNEL FREE SPACE INTERCONNECT for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States, of even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, Northrop Grumman Corporation, incorporated in the state of Delaware, with a place of business at Century Park East, Los Angeles, California 90067 is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we the said Akis GOUTZOULIS, John B. GOODELL and Gervase J. WILLIS have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said Northrop Grumman Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all releasues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all extensions, renewals and releasues thereof and all rights of priority in any such country or countries based upon the filing of the said application for Letters Patent of the United States which are created by any law, treaty or international convention; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said invention to the said Northrop Grumman Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to said Northrop Grumman Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said Northrop Grumman Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals the day and year set opposite our

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