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WHEREAS **SONY CORPORATION**, a Japanese Corporation having offices at 7-35 Kitashinagawa 6-Chome, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo 141, Japan, AND **SONY INTERNATIONAL (Europe) GmbH**, a German corporation having offices at Hugo-Eckener-Str. 20, 50829 Köln, Germany, are joint owners of the entire right, title and interest in and to the inventions disclosed in the United States Application No. 10/690,292, recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at on October 21, 2003, at Reel 014632, Frame 0456;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, **SONY INTERNATIONAL (Europe) GmbH** (herein known as the "Assignor") hereby assigns and transfers to **SONY DEUTSCHLAND GmbH**, a German corporation, having offices at Hugo-Eckener-Str. 20, 50829 Köln, Germany, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), its successors and assigns, its entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and to any and all patents that will issue, and any reexaminations, reissues, continuations, continuation-in-parts, divisionals or extensions thereof, in the United States of America, to be held and enjoyed as fully as they would have been by Assignor, had this assignment and transfer not been made, including the right to seek and obtain for Assignee's own benefit, injunctive relief and recovery of damages for any

past and/or future infringements, including enhanced damages and/or attorneys' fees;

By virtue of this Assignment, Assignor SONY INTERNATIONAL (Europe) GmbH authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to transfer any and all rights Assignor may have to any Letters Patent of the United States for said inventions resulting from the aforementioned application, in the name of SONY DEUTSCHLAND GmbH as assignee, and by such act, the entire right, title and interest in and to the inventions disclosed in the United States Patent Application No. 10/690,292 and any patents that will issue therefrom, will vest jointly in SONY CORPORATION and SONY DEUTSCHLAND GmbH.

In witness whereof, Assignor SONY INTERNATIONAL (Europe) GmbH has caused this assignment to be executed on the day and year set forth below.


By: Nariyasu HAMAHATA
Name
Authorized Representative
SONY INTERNATIONAL (Europe) GmbH

May 24, 2006
Date