

PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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| NATURE OF CONVEYANCE: | Certificate of Resolution |
| CONVEYING PARTY DATA | |
| Name | Execution Date |
| Novartis Finance Corporation | 12/15/2000 |
| RECEIVING PARTY DATA | |
| Name: | Syngenta Investment Corporation |
| Street Address: | 2200 Concord Pike |
| City: | Wilmington |
| State/Country: | DELAWARE |
| Postal Code: | 19803 |
| PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 1 | |
| Property Type | Number |
| Application Number: | 11745550 |
| CORRESPONDENCE DATA | |
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| NAME OF SUBMITTER: | Rebecca A. Howard |
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NOVARTIS FINANCE CORPORATION

CERTIFICATE OF RESOLUTION

I, WAYNE P. MERKELSON, Secretary of NOVARTIS FINANCE CORPORATION, a New York corporation (the "Corporation"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the following resolutions were duly adopted by Unanimous Consent of the Directors of the Corporation on October 23, 2000, and that these resolutions were not amended:

Creation of Syngenta Investment Corporation

RESOLVED, that the President and any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to purchase from the sole incorporator or incorporators of Syngenta Investment Corporation all of the shares of the common stock of such company for the contribution to such company's capital in the amount of \$1,000 on October 31, 2000; and further

RESOLVED, that the President or any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to take any and all such further actions, execute and deliver any and all further documents, and to do all things necessary or desirable in order to carry out and effectuate fully the purposes set forth in the foregoing resolution.

Contribution of Exclusive Agribusiness Intellectual Property Held by Novartis Finance Corporation to Syngenta Investment Corporation

RESOLVED, that the President and any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to contribute to the capital of Syngenta Investment Corporation any patents, trademarks or other intellectual property held by Novartis Finance Corporation and applicable exclusively to the Novartis agribusiness companies, with any outstanding royalties payable during the year 2000; and further

RESOLVED, that the President or any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to take any and all such further actions, execute and deliver any and all further documents, and to do all things necessary or desirable in order to carry out and effectuate fully the purposes set forth in the foregoing resolution.

Creation of Syngenta Agricultural Discovery, Inc.

RESOLVED, that the President and any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to purchase from the sole incorporator or incorporators of Syngenta Agricultural Discovery, Inc. all of the shares of the common stock of such company for the contribution to such company's capital in the amount of \$1,000 on October 31, 2000; and further

RESOLVED, that the President or any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to take any and all such further actions, execute and deliver any and all further documents, and to do all things necessary or desirable in order to carry out and effectuate fully the purposes set forth in the foregoing resolution.

Contribution of Amount by Novartis Finance Corporation to the Capital of Syngenta Agricultural Discovery, Inc.

RESOLVED, that the President and any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to contribute to the capital of Syngenta Agricultural Discovery, Inc. the amount of \$20,000 as of October 31, 2000; and further

RESOLVED, that the President or any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to take any and all such further actions, execute and deliver any and all further documents, and to do all things necessary or desirable in order to carry out and effectuate fully the purposes set forth in the foregoing resolution.

Contribution to Capital of Novartis Agribusiness Holding Inc. the stock of Syngenta Investment Corporation and Syngenta Agricultural Discovery, Inc. , and Acceptance of Dividends or Returns of Capital from Novartis Agribusiness Holding Inc.

RESOLVED, that the Company accept a dividend or return of capital from Novartis Agribusiness Holding Inc. in the amount of \$45,200,000 at October 31, 2000; and further

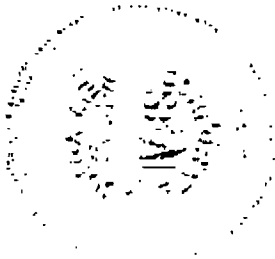
RESOLVED, that the Company accept a dividend or return of capital from Novartis Agribusiness Holding Inc. in the amount of \$10,000,000 at October 31, 2000; and further

RESOLVED, that the Company contribute to the capital of Novartis Agribusiness Holding Inc. the stock it holds in Syngenta Investment Corporation and Syngenta Agricultural Discovery, Inc. on October 31, 2000; and further

RESOLVED, that the President or any Vice President be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to take any and all such further actions, execute and deliver any and all further documents, and to do all things necessary or desirable in order to carry out and effectuate fully the purposes set forth in the foregoing resolutions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and have affixed the seal of the Corporation on this 15th day of December, 2000.

NOVARTIS FINANCE CORPORATION


Wayne P. Merkelson
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Secretary