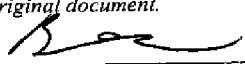


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ASSIGNMENT FOR US PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the undersigned inventor(s), Ryosuke ITO, Masaki KONDO and Katsumi OKOUCHI of c/o MAKITA CORPORATION, 3-11-8, Sumiyoshi-cho, Anjo-shi, Aichi 446-8502, JAPAN, (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignor(s)") has/have invented certain new and useful improvements in COUPLING APPARATUS FOR COUPLING BLADE PROTECTOR TO TOOL BODY OF GARDENING TOOL, for which a patent application will be filed in the US, and the serial number and filing date will be entered below by the Assignor(s) or its designate, when that information becomes available; and

WHEREAS, MAKITA CORPORATION, a corporation duly organized under and pursuant to the laws of Japan, and having a principal place of business at 3-11-8, Sumiyoshi-cho, Anjo-shi, Aichi 446-8502, JAPAN, (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest of the Assignor(s) in and to said improvements, the entire right, title and interest of the Assignor(s) in and to any US patent application(s) based on said improvements, and in and to any Patent(s) of the United States, to be obtained therefor and thereon;

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