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331 New Ohtemachi Building July 3, 1991  
Tokyo 100  
Japan you. Our debit note accompanies the confirmation copy of this letter.

Re: TANAKA et al - USSN 07/564,507  
METHOD OF PRODUCING A SLIDING BEARING  
Our Reference: Tanaka=14  
Your Reference: B6085-01MP

Gentlemen:

Sheridan Nelmark

We regret to inform you of the receipt of an Advisory Action, Paper No. 11, dated June 13, 1991, copy faxed herewith. The examiner refuses to enter the amendment submitted June 7, 1991 because the examiner considers that it would raise new issues requiring further consideration and/or search. His note states:

Further limit the steps in the claim in the same vacuum chamber and a new step of vacuumization in claim 3 would raise new issue.

Accordingly, the claims will not be allowed and the proposed amendment will not be entered, even for purposes of appeal.

Other than abandoning further attempts to obtain a patent in the U.S.A., the options at this stage are:  
(1) proceeding with an appeal on the basis of the old claims,  
(2) refiling the application such as in the form of a Rule 62 continuation application so that the last amendment will be entered and the examiner will be compelled to examine the amended claims, or (3) submit a petition for entry of the amendment. This third option has certain disadvantages, however, because it will not stay the term and there is no assurance that it would be successful (such petitions are only seldom successful), and

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Your Reference: 85085-Q1MP  
July 3, 1991

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Thank you. Our debit note accompanies the confirmation copy of this letter.

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Sincerely,  
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in order to appropriately respond to your recommendations.  
Attachments

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Also enclosed is a debit memorandum for our services.

Sincerely,

Norman J. Latker

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Enclosure