November 21, 1997

Mr. van den Beld
Secretary General ECMA
ECMA Headquarters
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Dear Mr. van den Beld:

This letter is to inform you that, in the event that ECMA adopts an ECMA Standard for 80 mm DVD-Read-Only Disks, Sony Corporation will grant on a non-discriminatory basis, to any party requesting it, licenses on commercially reasonable terms and conditions, for its patent(s), if any, deemed to be necessary for the implementation of the ECMA Standard, for use in products in conformance with this ECMA Standard.

This declaration remains valid only as long as the corresponding ECMA Standard remains valid, and applies only to such parties that have signed or sign this ECMA patent declaration.

We trust that this declaration complies with the ECMA Code of Conduct in Patent Matters related to standardized systems.

Yours faithfully,

Signature:  
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Date: Nov. 21, 1997