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AGREEMENT made this 5th day of March, between ANDRE NORTON and SASHA (GEORGIA M.) MILLER (hereinafter jointly the "Author") c/o ASHLEY GRAYSON, Literary Agent, 1342 18th Street, San Pedro, California 90732 USA and AMBER PUBLISHING LTD., 00-108 Warszawa, Zielna 39, Poland (the "Publisher").

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have signed this agreement by their duly authorized officers as of the date and year first above written.

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