

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## International Trade Administration

[C-351-829]

**Agreement Suspending the  
Countervailing Duty Investigation on  
Hot-Rolled Flat-Rolled Carbon-Quality  
Steel From Brazil; Correction to the  
Notice of Termination of Suspension  
Agreement and Notice of  
Countervailing Duty Order**

**AGENCY:** Import Administration,  
International Trade Administration,  
Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Correction to notice of  
termination and notice of countervailing  
duty order.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 12, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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of Policy and Negotiations, Bilateral  
Agreements Unit, Import  
Administration, International Trade  
Administration, U.S. Department of  
Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution  
Avenue, NW., Washington DC 20230;  
telephone (202) 482-0162 or (202) 482-  
4271, respectively.

**Background**

On September 17, 2004, the  
Department of Commerce ("the  
Department") published in the **Federal  
Register** notice of the termination of the  
Agreement Suspending the  
Countervailing Duty Investigation on  
Hot-Rolled Flat-Rolled Carbon-Quality  
Steel from Brazil and notice of  
countervailing duty order. See  
*Agreement Suspending the  
Countervailing Duty Investigation on  
Hot-Rolled Flat-Rolled Carbon-Quality  
Steel from Brazil; Termination of  
Suspension Agreement and Notice of  
Countervailing Duty Order*, 69 FR 56040  
(September 17, 2004) ("Termination  
Notice"). In the *Termination Notice*, the  
Department inadvertently listed  
separate countervailing duty *ad valorem*  
rates for Usinas Siderurgicas de Minas  
Gerais, S.A. ("USIMINAS") and  
Companhia Siderurgica Paulista  
("COSIPA"). See *Termination Notice*, 69  
FR at 56043. However, in the final  
determination of the underlying  
countervailing duty investigation, the  
Department determined USIMINAS and  
COSIPA to be affiliated under section  
771(33)(E) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as  
amended ("the Act"), and calculated a  
single countervailing duty rate for both  
companies (e.g., USIMINAS/COSIPA).  
See *Final Affirmative Countervailing  
Duty Determination: Certain Hot-Rolled  
Flat-Rolled Carbon-Quality Steel  
Products From Brazil*, 64 FR 38742,

38744 & 38755 (July 19, 1999).  
Therefore, the final countervailing duty  
*ad valorem* rate and cash deposit rate  
for USIMINAS/COSIPA is as follows:

Manufacturer/exporter	Net subsidy rate percent
USIMINAS/COSIPA .....	9.67

This notice is published in  
accordance with sections 704(i) and  
777(i) of the Act. This order is  
published in accordance with section  
706(a) of the Act.

Dated: September 28, 2004.

**James J. Jochum,**

*Assistant Secretary for Import  
Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## Patent and Trademark Office

## Recording Assignments

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment  
request.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and  
Trademark Office (USPTO), as part of its  
continuing effort to reduce paperwork  
and respondent burden, invites the  
general public and other Federal  
agencies to take this opportunity to  
comment on the continuing information  
collection, as required by the Paperwork  
Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-  
13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be  
submitted on or before December 13,  
2004.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments  
by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: [Susan.Brown@uspto.gov](mailto:Susan.Brown@uspto.gov).  
Include "0651-0027 comment" in the  
subject line of the message.
- Fax: 703-308-7407, marked to the  
attention of Susan Brown.
- Mail: Susan K. Brown, Records  
Officer, Office of the Chief Information  
Officer, Office of Data Architecture and  
Services, Data Administration Division,  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O.  
Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information  
should be directed to Joyce R. Johnson,  
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Stop 1450, U.S. Patent and Trademark  
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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION****I. Abstract**

This collection of information is  
required by 35 U.S.C. 261 and 262 for  
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the Trademark Act of 1946 for  
trademarks. These statutes permit the  
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transactions or other documents that  
record the transfer of ownership of a  
particular patent or trademark property  
from one party to another. Assignments  
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and trademark registrations.

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through 37 CFR part 3 (3.1-3.85) for  
patents and trademarks, and also 37  
CFR 2.146 and 2.171 for trademarks.  
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www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov).

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and trademark assignment cover sheets  
that capture all of the necessary data for  
accurately recording various assignment  
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the respondent must submit an  
appropriate cover sheet along with the  
assignment documents to be recorded.  
The USPTO provides two paper forms  
for this purpose, the Patent Recordation  
Form Cover Sheet (PTO-1595) and the