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August 28, 2001

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Dear Sir,

I confirm our receipt on August 24, 2001 of your letter of August 20, 2001.

The notice of intent to submit a claim to arbitration referred to in our letter of August 9, 2001 has no page numbers. We are therefore unable to indicate exactly which pages are missing. However, the second page of the document received by us contains a section heading "C"; the document does not contain section headings "A" or "B"; and the document contains two pages, both with a section heading "D," the texts of which overlap with one another.

In any proceeding involving ICSID, including UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules proceedings involving the Secretary-General of ICSID as appointing authority of arbitrators, a request addressed to the Centre by a person purporting to act on behalf of others must be accompanied by the authorizations being invoked. In connection with your request for appointment of arbitrators on behalf of those mentioned as claimant investors in the notice of arbitration accompanying your letter of August 3, 2001, we must accordingly receive authorizations for you to act on behalf of such persons.

As you mention in your letter of August 20, 2001, your letter of August 3, 2001 was received with copies of cover pages of two instruments labeled as powers of attorney.

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It is not correct, however, that our office instructed you that the above-mentioned requirement could be met in this way.

Sincerely yours,

Antonio R. Parra

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Acting Secretary-General

cc: (with copy of incoming letter):

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c/o Dirección General de Inversión Extranjera
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