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1. Name of conveying party(ies): (If multiple assignors, list numerically)

1. Banque et Caisse D'Epargne De L'etat Du Luxembourg, A Luxembourg Limited Liability Corporation
2. Caisse D'Epargne Poitou Charente, A French Non-Profit Credit Institution
3. Commerzbank Aktiengesellschaft, A German Limited Liability Corporation
4. Credit Agricole Indosuez, A French Limited Liability Corporation
5. Caisse Regionale De Credit Agricole De Charente Perigord, A French Cooperative Association
6. Caisse Regionale De Credit Agricole De Charente Maritime, A French Cooperative Association
7. Credit Lyonnais, A French Limited Liability Corporation
8. Credit du Nord, A French Limited Liability Corporation
9. Midland Bank PLC, An English Limited Liability Corporation
10. Natexis Banque, A French Limited Liability Corporation
11. Paribas, A French Limited Liability Corporation
12. Rabobank, A Netherlands Corporation
13. Sakura Bank (Luxembourg) SA, A Luxembourg Limited Liability Corporation
14. Societe Generale, A French Limited Liability Corporation
15. The Holders of the Euro 150,000,000 10% Senior Notes
16. Natexis Banques Populaires, A French Limited Liability Corporation
17. Banca Nazionale Del Lavoro SpA, An Italian Limited Liability Corporation
18. Barclays Bank Plc, An English Limited Liability Corporation

() Individual
() Association
() General Partnership
() Limited Partnership
() Corporation - State
() Other:

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?
() Yes (X) No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

**Name:** Piper Heidsieck - Ancienne Maison Heidsieck Fondee en 1785 - Compagnie Champenoise
**Internal Address:**
**Address:** 51 boulevard Henri Vasnier, 51100 Reims

() Individual
() Association
() General Partnership
() Limited Partnership
() Corporation
(X) Other: French Limited Liability Company

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached: () Yes (X) No

(Designations must be a separate document from Assignment)
Additional name(s) and address(es) attached?
() Yes (X) No

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3. Nature of conveyance:

() Assignment
() Merger
() Security Agreement
() Change of Name
(X) Other: Release of Security Interest

Execution Date: (If multiple assignors, list execution dates in numerical order corresponding to numbers indicated in 1 above) June 16, 2000 (all)

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4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):

a. Trademark Application No(s):

b. Trademark Registration No(s):
575,785

Additional numbers attached? () Yes (X) No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

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**Attorney's Docket No.**: LINKP1.001GUS

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): $40.00

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() Authorized to be charged to deposit account

8. Deposit account number: 11-1410

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9. Statement and signature.

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| Andrew H. Simpson | Andrew H Simpson | February 22, 2001 |
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# PLEDGE RELEASE OF THE PIPER HEIDSIECK TRADE MARK FOR U.S. REGISTRATION NO. 575,785

We the undersigned,

**BANQUE ET CAISSE D'EPARGNE DE L'ETAT DU LUXEMBOURG**, a Luxembourg limited liability company with a share capital of LUF7,000,000,000, with its registered office at L-1930 Luxembourg, 1 Place de Metz and registered with the Luxembourg Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. B 30 775, represented by Gérard Poulin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**CAISSE D'EPARGNE POITOU CHARENTE** a French non-profit making credit institution with a share capital of FRF615,227,000, with its registered office at 18 rue Gay Lussac, 86000 Poitiers and registered with the Poitiers Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. D 384 810 362, represented by Gérard Poulin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**COMMERZBANK AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT**, a German limited liability company with a share capital of DM2,327,846,735, with its registered office at 60261 Frankfurt, Kaiserplatz and registered with the Frankfurt Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. HRB 32000, acting through its Paris branch at 3 place de l'Opéra, 75002 Paris, represented by Hartung von Campe who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**CREDIT AGRICOLE INDOSUEZ**, a French limited liability company with an executive board and an advisory board with its registered office at 9 quai du Paul Doumer, 92400 Courbevoie and registered with the Nanterre Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. B 304 187 701, represented by Gérard Poulin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**CAISSE REGIONALE DE CREDIT AGRICOLE DE CHARENTE PERIGORD**, a French cooperative association with its registered office at avenue de Général de Gaulle, 16800 Soyeux, represented by Gérard Poulin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**CAISSE REGIONALE DE CREDIT AGRICOLE DE CHARENTE MARITIME**, a French cooperative association with its registered office at 12 boulevard Guillet-Maillet, 17117 Saintes, represented by Gérard Poulin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**CREDIT LYONNAIS**, a French limited liability company with a share capital of FRF9,389,925,000, with its registered office at 18 rue de la République in Lyon and its head office at 19 boulevard des Italiens, 75002 Paris, SIREN 954 509 741, RCS Lyon, represented by Gérard Poulin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**CREDIT DU NORD**, a French limited liability company with a share capital of FRF4,658,070,030, with its registered office at 28 Place Ribour in Lille and registered with the Lille Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. 456 504 851, represented by Patrick de la Hale who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**MIDLAND BANK PLC**, an English limited liability company, with its registered office at Poultry, London and registered in England under no. 14254, acting through its Paris branch at 20 bis avenue Rapp, 75007 Paris, represented by Gérard Poulin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,



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**NATEXIS BANQUE**, a French limited liability company with a share capital of FRF3,969,211,400, with its registered office at 45 rue Saint Dominique, 75007 Paris and registered with the Paris Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. B 552 067 936, represented by Gérard Noucin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**PARIBAS**, a French limited liability company with an executive board and an advisory board with a share capital of FRF16,158,273,600, with its registered office at 3 rue d'Antin, 75002 Paris and registered with the Paris Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. 662 047 885 RCS Paris, represented by Gérard Noucin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**RABOBANK**, a foreign company with a share capital of NLG978,000,000, with its registered office at Croeslaan 18, 3521 CB Utrecht, The Netherlands, acting through its Paris branch at 69 boulevard Haussmann, 75008 Paris which is registered with the Paris Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. B 380 404 764, represented by Gérard Noucin who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**SAKURA BANK (LUXEMBOURG) SA**, a Luxembourg limited liability company with a share capital of US$24,600,000, with its registered office at 33 boulevard du Prince Henri, L-1724 Luxembourg and registered with the Luxembourg Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. B-16.266, represented by Gérard Noucin, who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**SOCIETE GENERALE**, a French limited liability company with a share capital of €510,915,740, with its registered office at 29 boulevard Haussmann, 75009 Paris and registered with the Paris Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. B 552 120 222, represented by Gérard Noucin, who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**THE HOLDERS OF THE EURO 150,000,000 10% SENIOR NOTES** issued by Rémy Cointreau on 30 July 1998 (the "**Bonds**"), represented by François Morrisson and Paul Gagey, acting in their capacity of representatives for the body of bondholders (*Représentants de la Masse*) (the "**Representatives of the *Masse***") and complying with the provisions of the prospectus dated 27 July 1998 published for the issue of the Bonds,

**NATEXIS BANQUES POPULAIRES**, a French limited liability company with a share capital of €512,548,160, with its registered office at 115 rue Montmartre, 75002 Paris and registered with the Paris Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. B 542 044 524, represented by P.C. Tarrin et E. Normand who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**BANCA NAZIONALE DEL LAVORO SpA**, an Italian limited liability company with a share capital of ITL2,119,492,110,000, with its registered office at 119, Via Vittorio Veneto, Rome, Italy, acting through its French branch at 26 avenue des Champs Elysées, 75008 Paris which is registered with the Paris Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. B 775 747 264, represented by A. Guérin et G. Volletta who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

**BARCLAYS BANK PLC**, an English limited liability company with an authorised share capital of £2,500,000,000, with its registered office at 54 Lombard Street, London EC3P 3AH, registered with the Register of Companies under no. 1026167, whose head office in France is at 45 boulevard Haussmann, 75009 Paris and which is registered with the Paris Registry of Companies and Commerce under no. 381 066 281 RCS Paris, represented by V. Ward & E. Volletta who has due capacity for the purposes of this pledge release,

(hereunder, together the **Beneficiaries**)



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hereby confirm that the pledge relating to all of the rights, present of future, existing or potential, which Piper Heidsieck Compagnie Champenoise (**Piper Heidsieck**, *société anonyme* governed by French law with a nominal share capital of FRF 109,332,000, whose registered office is at 51 boulevard Henri Vasnier, 51100 Reims and which is registered at the Reims Companies Registry under number B 335 480 687) holds over the Trademark n°575.785, in all of the countries in which the Trademark has been the subject of a filing or registration, has expired pursuant to Article 2 of the Pledge Agreement for the Piper Heidsieck trademark entered into between the Beneficiaries and Piper Heidsieck dated 10 March 1999 (the "**Pledge Agreement**")

Consequently, the Beneficiaries grant a release from the pledge relating to the Trademark in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Pledge Agreement.

To that effect, the Beneficiaries grant all power to Piper Heidseick, in their name and on their account, to sign any deed, form or other document and more generally to take any action necessary to give full effect to this release particularly with respect to the national registries concerned.

This release shall take effect from the date of signature.

signed in Paris

on 16 June 2000

**BANQUE ET CAISSE D'EPARGNE DE L'ETAT DU LUXEMBOURG**

**CAISSE D'EPARGNE POITOU CHARENTE**

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**PARIBAS**

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**SOCIETE GENERALE**

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FRANÇOIS MORRISSON AND PAUL GAGEY) AS THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE *MASSE* ON BEHALF OF THE BONDHOLDERS

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P. GAGEY

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