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<p>3. Nature of conveyance: <input type="checkbox"/> Assignment <input type="checkbox"/> Merger <input type="checkbox"/> Security Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Release of Security Interest</p> <p>Execution Date: May 1, 2003</p>	<p>4. Application number(s) or registration number(s): A. Trademark Application No.(s) B. Trademark Registration No.(s) 782,919</p> <p>Additional number(s) attached <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: Name: Deborah M. Lodge Internal Address: Patton Boggs, LLP _____ _____ Street Address: 2550 M Street, N.W. _____ City: Washington State: DC Zip: 20037</p>	<p>6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 1</p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41)..... \$ 40.00 <input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to deposit account</p> <p>8. Deposit account number: 50-0709</p> <p>(Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)</p>
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<p>9. Statement and signature. <i>To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.</i></p> <p><u>Deborah M. Lodge</u> <u>Deborah M. Lodge</u> <u>5/13/2003</u> Name of Person Signing Signature Date</p> <p>Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: 2</p>	

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TRADEMARK REEL: 002734 FRAME: 0140

RELEASE OF SECURITY INTEREST IN TRADEMARKS

THIS RELEASE OF SECURITY INTEREST IN TRADEMARKS is made this 1st day of ~~April~~ ^{May}, 2003 by National Bank of Canada as agent for itself and the other lenders party to that certain Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated March 2, 1999 ("NBC").

WHEREAS, reference is made to that certain Trademark Security Agreement dated July 31, 1996, recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 1491, Frame 0274 on August 12, 1996 and that Amended and Restated Trademark Security Agreement dated March 3, 1999 recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 1886, Frame 0117 on April 12, 1999 (collectively, the "Security Agreements"), each executed by Belding Hausman Incorporated, a Delaware corporation, having a mailing address at 1430 Broadway, New York, New York 10018 ("Belding Hausman") and NBC.

WHEREAS, in connection with the Security Agreements, Belding Hausman granted NBC a continuing security interest in the Trademark "Blair House", Serial No. 72-190,258, Registration No. 782,919, registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 5, 1965 (the "Blair House Trademark").

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, NBC hereby releases and terminates all security interests in and to Blair House Trademark granted to NBC under the Security Agreements.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, NBC has caused this Release of Security Interest in Trademarks to be duly executed by its authorized officer as of the day and year first written above.

NATIONAL BANK OF CANADA
as administrative agent

By: [Signature]
Name: Yvon LaPlante
Title: Vice President and Manager
Cross Border Financing Group

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF N.Y. §
COUNTY OF Nassau §

On the 28 of April 2003, before me personally appeared Yvon LaPlante to me personally known or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument as the Vice President of National Bank of Canada, a Canadian banking association, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he is the Vice President of National Bank of Canada, the banking association described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he signed the said instrument on behalf of said corporation.

[Signature]
Notary Public

(Seal)

My commission expires:
10/07/06

ANGELA RICCIARDI
Notary Public, State of New York
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