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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

LA AURORA, S.A.

- Individual(s)
- General Partnership
- Corporation-State
- Other Corporation of the Dominican Republic
- Association
- Limited Partnership

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

3. Nature of conveyance:

- Assignment
- Security Agreement
- Other
- Merger
- Change of Name

Execution Date: April 1, 2000

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: Industria De Tabaco Leon Jimenes
Internal S.A.

Address: _____

Street Address: C. Eduardo Leon Jimenes 02
City: Santiago State: Dominican Republic Zip: _____

- Individual(s) citizenship
- Association
- General Partnership
- Limited Partnership
- Corporation-State
- Other Corporation of the Dominican Republic

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached: Yes No
(Designations must be a separate document from assignment)
Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

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

A. Trademark Application No.(s)

2109160
2420899
B. Trademark Registration No.(s)
1372922
1410833
1939783
2395690

Additional number(s) attached Yes No

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

Name: Maxine Fryer Haynes

Internal Address: RA-6N

Street Address: 800 Westchester Avenue

City: Rye Brook State: NY Zip: 10573

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 6

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ _____

- Enclosed
- Authorized to be charged to deposit account

8. Deposit account number:

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9. Statement and signature.

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.

Maxine Fryer Haynes

Name of Person Signing

Signature

November 10, 2004

Date

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: 7

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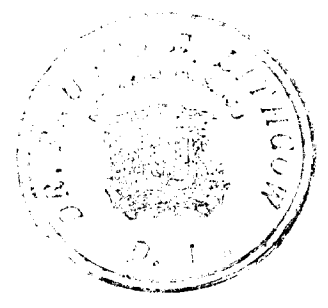
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ACTUALIZACION DEL NO. DE REGISTRO NACIONAL
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Santo Domingo, D.N.

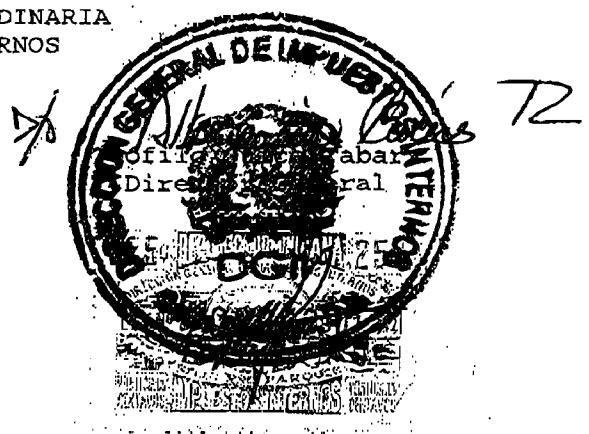
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SEÑORES
INDUSTRIA DE TABACO LEON JIMENES S A
RNC: 1-02-01887-1
SANTIAGO

Vistas las disposiciones del Literal C del Art. 50 de la Ley 11-92 del 16 de mayo de 1992, que instituye el Código Tributario de la República Dominicana, esta Dirección General, después de estudiar su solicitud y el expediente de que se trata, tiene a bien actualizar las informaciones del Registro Nacional de Contribuyentes a la Sociedad cuyos datos figuran más abajo.

La presente, se otorga a reservas de efectuar posteriormente las investigaciones de lugar.

RAZON SOCIAL: INDUSTRIA DE TABACO LEON JIMENES S A
DOMICILIO SOCIAL: C EDUARDO LEON JIMENES 02
SECTOR: CIUDAD CIUDAD: SANTIAGO
FECHA CIERRE: 31 DE DICIEMBRE
OBJETIVO SOCIAL: FABRICACION DE CIGARRILLOS Y CIGARROS ELABORACION
INSTALAC EXPLOT IMPORT COMPRA Y VENTA DE LOS MISMOS
CAPITAL SUSC.: 485,662,825 CAPITAL AUTORIZ.: 550,000,000
NO. REGISTRO MERCANTIL: 00
TIPO ACTUALIZACION: FUSION
FUSIONADO CON: LA AURORA
DOCUMENTOS: ASAMBLEA GENERAL EXTRAORDINARIA
SELLOS DE IMPUESTOS INTERNOS



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Cancelados en fecha: 18/03/2003
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DESIGNATION OF DOMESTIC REPRESENTATIVE

Barry M. Krivisky and Olga Nedeltscheff, both members of the Bar of the State of New York, with both having their individual offices at Altria Corporate Services, Inc., 800 Westchester Avenue, Rye Brook, N.Y. 105731301, are hereby designated applicant's representative upon whom notice of process in proceedings affecting the marks may be served.



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Name: Abel Wachsmann
Title: President
Company: Industria de Tabaco
Leon Jimnes S.A.

Date: OCT 20, 2004

[Translation from Spanish]

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FINANCE
GENERAL INTERNAL REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

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[Seal:] Dr. Fausto E. Lithgow
Notary Public
N.D.

UPDATE OF NUMBER IN THE NATIONAL REGISTRY OF TAXPAYERS

Santo Domingo, N.D.
18 July 2000

INDUSTRIA DE TABACO LEON JIMENES S.A.
RNC: 1-02-01887-1
SANTIAGO

In consideration of the provisions under Letter C of Article 50 of Statute 11-92 of 16 May 1992 establishing the Tax Code of the Dominican Republic, this general administration, upon examination of your request and the file concerned, hereby updates the belowindicated information in the National Registry of Taxpayers:

The present document is issued subject to subsequent on-site inspection.

CORPORATE NAME: INDUSTRIA DE TABACO LEON JIMENES S.A.

BUSINESS DOMICILE: C. EDUARDO LEON JIMENES 02

AREA: DOWNTOWN CITY: SANTIAGO

FISCAL YEAR ENDS: 31 DECEMBER

BUSINESS PURPOSE: MANUFACTURE OF CIGARETTES AND CIGARS PROCESSING
INSTALLATION, OPERATION, IMPORT, PURCHASE AND SALE OF SAME

UNDERWRITTEN CAPITAL: 485,662,825 AUTHORIZED CAPITAL: 550,000.000

COMMERCIAL REGISTRY NO.: 00

TYPE OF UPDATE: MERGER

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MERGED WITH: LA AURORA

DOCUMENTS: SPECIAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

INTERNAL REVENUE STAMPS

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General Director
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[Seal:] General Internal Revenue Administration, DGI

Internal Revenue stamps in the amount of DR\$ 0.25

Cancelled on 18 March 2003

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[Reverse side:]

The undersigned, Doctor Fausto E. Lithgow, attorney, National District-numbered notary public with offices located at Apartment 21 on the second floor in the Soraya Building, No. 69 "Virgilio Díaz Ordóñez" Street, Fernandez Development in this City, CERTIFIES that the photocopy of Communication OR-No. 30442 dated 18 July 2000 from the General Internal Revenue Administration to INDUSTRIA DE TABACO LEON JIMENES S.A. appearing at the bottom of the foregoing document is a true and accurate copy of the original which I have seen for verification purposes.

City of Santo Domingo, National Capital District of the Dominican Republic, on the TWENTIETH day of the month of MARCH in the year TWO THOUSAND THREE.

[Signature:] DR. FAUSTO E. LITHGOW

Notary

[Seal:] Dr. Fausto E. Lithgow

Notary Public

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The undersigned hereby certifies that the translation appearing herein is an accurate and faithful rendition into English of its Spanish original text, that the entire document has been translated, and that nothing has been added thereto or omitted therefrom, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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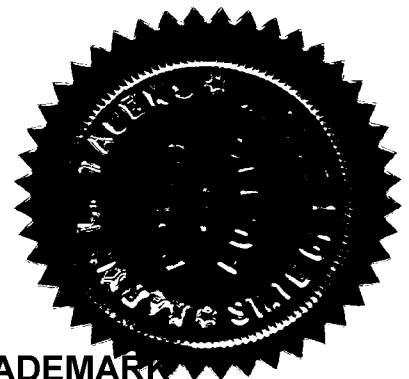
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Subscribed and sworn to before
me this 30th day of May, 2003

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KARYN L. TASENS
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VIA EXPRESS MAIL

November 10, 2004

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**Re: Recordal of Merger of La Aurora, S.A. into Industria de Tabaco Leon Jimenes S.A.
For: Reg. Nos. 2109160, 2420899, 1372922, 1410833, 1939783, 2395690**

Sirs:

Enclosed herewith are the following documents for recordal of the merger of La Aurora, S.A. with and into Industria de Tabaco Leon Jimenes S.A. against the above-identified registrations:

1. Certified Copy of the National Tax document attesting to the merger.
2. Verified English translation of the above-mentioned merger document.
3. Designation of Domestic Representative Form

All charges in connection with this matter are to be made against Deposit Account No. 16-1532.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

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