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To the Honorable Commissioner of

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attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Ashley House, Inc.

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- Individual(s), Association, General Partnership, Limited Partnership, Corporation-State, Other

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

3. Nature of conveyance:

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

Execution Date: May 5, 1999

Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: Metropolaris S.A.

Internal Address:

Street Address:

City: Brussel Brussels

- Individual(s), Association, General Partnership, Limited Partnership, Corporation-State, Other

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 patent number(s):

A. Trademark Application No.(s)

B. Trademark Registration No.(s)

See exhibit A

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Additional numbers attached? Yes No

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

Name: Michael K. Barron, P.C.

Internal Address: Nixon Peabody LLP

Street Address: 101 Federal Street

City: Boston State: MA ZIP: 02110

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved:

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7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ 90

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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.

Michael K. Barron, P.C.

Name of Person Signing

Signature

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Date

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EXHIBIT A

<u>Trademark</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Registration Number</u>
A ASHLEY HOUSE (Word and Design)	74-257,643	1,819,540
A ASHLEY HOUSE (Word and Design)	74-257,645	1,832,494
ASHLEY HOUSE	74-204,274	1,975,471

DESIGNATION OF DOMESTIC REPRESENTATIVE

Mark: ASHLEY HOUSE
Registration No.: 1,795,471
Registrant: Metropolaris S.A.
c/o M&K Grant Thornton
Gentsesteeneweg
1154 Chaussée de Grand, Box C-11
1082 Brussels, Belgium

Michael K. Barron, P.C., Christine T. Anthony, Esq., Ethan M. Flaherty, Esq.,
Andrea J. Fraser, Esq. and Devin W. Smith, Esq., whose postal address is c/o Nixon
Peabody LLP, 101 Federal Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 is hereby designated
Registrant's representative upon whom notice or process in proceedings affecting the mark
may be served.

METROPOLARIS S.A.


Authorized Signature

Arlette Colson, Managing Director
Title

September 14, 1999
Date

Telephone Number

BOS2: 220586_1

TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Ashley House, Inc., a Delaware Corporation (hereafter the "Assignor"), is the sole owner of the trademarks listed on Exhibit A attached hereto and the goodwill of the business in connection with which such marks are used; and

WHEREAS, the Assignor federally registered the marks as stated on Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, Metropolitan S.A., a Belgian corporation (hereafter the "Assignee"), desires to acquire the trademarks set forth on Exhibit A and the goodwill represented thereby;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the Assignor hereby assigns, transfers and sets over to the Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to the trademarks set forth on Exhibit A, including, but not limited to, the goodwill represented by the marks, all rights to sue and recover for past infringements and the certificates of federal registration of the marks.

Executed this 5th day of May, 1999.

Ashley House, Inc.



By: Elizabeth Ratcliffe

Its: President

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