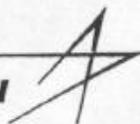


LOCKHEED MARTIN



Robert H. Trice
Senior Vice President
Corporate Business Development

RECEIVED

2003 JAN -2 P 3:38

U.S. DEPT OF COMMERCE
ITA
IMPORT ADMINISTRATION

December 23, 2002

The Honorable Donald L. Evans
Secretary of Commerce
U.S. Department of Commerce
14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20230

Dear Secretary Evans:

I am writing to support granting a Market Economy Status to Romania under the US Antidumping and Countervailing Duties Law. Lockheed Martin has been active in Romania for the past six years providing air traffic radars, airspace operating centers, weather monitoring sensors and systems, and vessel traffic systems. We work closely with Romanian industry in providing and monitoring their sophisticated technology systems. Lockheed Martin finds the business environment in Romania to be attractive and is looking forward to expanding its business base with Romania.

The economic growth, accelerated reforms and business achievements in Romania have created a stable basis for a market economy:

- The national currency (ROL) is fully convertible on all current account transactions. We may freely repatriate our profits and dividends in foreign currency.
- Wage rates are determined by free bargaining between labor and management.
- Foreign investment is fully permitted and encouraged in Romania. Significant investments enjoy substantial incentives, tax breaks and a streamlined administrative process.
- Romania is committed to finalizing the privatization of remaining state-owned enterprises.
- Companies are free to allocate resources and establish prices according to market conditions.

In view of the above, we strongly support Romania's request to be granted a Market Economy Status under the US Antidumping and Countervailing Duties Law.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Trice

RHT:tnh

cc: Import Administration
Central Records Unit, Room 1870
Case No. A-485-805