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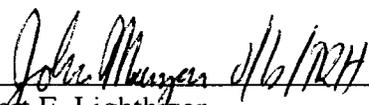
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Re: Inquiry Into the Status of the Russian Federation as a Non-Market Economy Under the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Laws

Dear Assistant Secretary Shirzard:

Pursuant to the Department's notice of initiation and request for comments in the above matter dated October 26, 2001 (*Inquiry Into the Status of the Russian Federation as a Non-Market Economy Under the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Laws*, 66 Fed. Reg. 54,197 (Oct. 26, 2001) (Notice of Initiation)), we submit the attached memorandum commenting on whether the Russian Federation's status as a non-market economy under the antidumping and countervailing laws should be modified. These comments are submitted on behalf of Bethlehem Steel Corporation; LTV Steel Company, Inc.; National Steel Corp.; and United States Steel LLC.

Respectfully submitted,



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