



International Court of Arbitration

ARBITRATION CASE N° 14953/FM

ARBITRATOR'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE
AND STATEMENT OF INDEPENDENCE

(Please mark the relevant box or boxes)

I, the undersigned,

Name: PATOCCHI

First Name: PAOLO MICHELE

ACCEPTANCE

hereby declare that I **accept** to serve as arbitrator under the ICC Rules of Arbitration in the instant case. In so declaring, I confirm that I have familiarized myself with the requirements of the ICC Rules of Arbitration and am able and available to serve as an arbitrator in accordance with all of the requirements of those Rules and accept to be remunerated in accordance therewith.

INDEPENDENCE

(If you accept to serve as arbitrator, please also check one of the two following boxes. The choice of which box to check will be determined after you have taken into account, inter alia, whether there exists any past or present relationship, direct or indirect, with any of the parties or their counsel, whether financial, professional or of another kind and whether the nature of any such relationship is such that disclosure is called for pursuant to the criteria set out below. Any doubt should be resolved in favor of disclosure.)

I am independent of each of the parties and intend to remain so; to the best of my knowledge, there are no facts or circumstances, past or present, that need be disclosed because they might be of such nature as to call into question my independence in the eyes of any of the parties.

OR

I am independent of each of the parties and intend to remain so; however, in consideration of Article 7, paragraphs 2 & 3 of the ICC Rules of Arbitration*, I wish to call your attention to the following facts or circumstances which I hereafter disclose because they might be of such a nature as to call into question my independence in the eyes of any of the parties. (Use separate sheet if necessary.)

NON-ACCEPTANCE

hereby declare that I **decline** to serve as arbitrator in the subject case. (If you wish to state the reasons for checking this box, please do so.)

Date: 19 October 2007

Signature:

*Article 7 (2): "Before appointment or confirmation, a prospective arbitrator shall sign a statement of independence and disclose in writing to the Secretariat any facts or circumstances which might be of such a nature as to call into question the arbitrator's independence in the eyes of the parties. The Secretariat

shall provide such information to the parties in writing and fix a time limit for any comments from them."

Article 7 (3): "An arbitrator shall immediately disclose in writing to the Secretariat and to the parties any facts or circumstances of a similar nature which may arise during the arbitration."