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**Re: Section 232 Investigation on the Effect of Imports of Aluminum on U.S. National Security
- Comments**

Dear Mr. Botwin,

In order to contribute to the above-mentioned investigation, the Brazilian Aluminum Association (ABAL) provides the following information regarding the performance of the Brazilian aluminum industry in the national and international scenario in 2007-2016:

Brazilian Aluminum Industry

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Primary Aluminum (thousand tons)										
- Installed Capacity	1 685	1 688	1 688	1 593	1 533	1 539	1 520	1 520	935	915
- Production	1 655	1 661	1 535	1 536	1 440	1 436	1 304	962	772	793
Transformed Products (thousand tons)										
- Domestic Consumption	1 006	1 138	1 024	1 342	1 452	1 441	1 513	1 430	1 310	1 205
Aluminum Imports (HS 76 Chapter) ⁽¹⁾										
thousand tons	212	212	164	278	425	342	335	637	615	530
Aluminum Exports (HS 76 Chapter) ⁽²⁾										
thousand tons	1 044	946	914	737	637	632	520	448	445	484

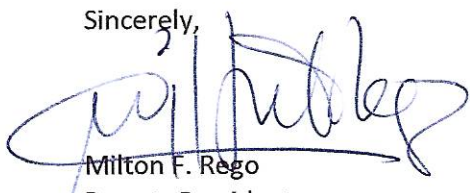
Sources: ABAL and SECEX/MDC

Note:

- (1) in 2016, 118,900 tonnes refer to semimanufactured and manufactured products - main origins: China (45.4%), Germany (17%) and the United States (5.3%)
- (2) in 2016, 124,800 tonnes of semimanufactured and manufactured products - main destinations: the United States (21.1%), Argentina (14.8%) and South Africa (12%)

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Sincerely,



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