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MINUTES OF THE 161st EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

1. VENUE: Rua Coronel Dulcídio, 800, Curitiba - PR. **2. DATE and TIME:** February 19, 2004 – 2:00 pm. **3. CALL FOR MEETING:** Public Notice published in the Diário Oficial do Estado and in the newspapers O Estado do Paraná and Folha de São Paulo. **4. ATTENDANCE:** 85.04% (eighty five point zero four percent) of the voting capital according to the signatures in the "Shareholders' Attendance Book" number 3, page 35. **5. BOARD:** LINDSLEY DA SILVA RASCA RODRIGUES – Board of Directors; SÉRGIO BOTTO DE LACERDA - Chairman; EDISON RAUEN VIANNA - Secretary. **6. AGENDA AND DELIBERATIONS: Item 1 – AMENDMENT OF THE COMPANY'S BYLAWS –** The proposed amendments to the Company's Bylaws, as presented by the Company's Board of Directors and properly reflected in the call for the meeting in question, were discussed and the majority of the shareholders decided to approve its content, which will be effective as of the present date. **7. SIGNATURES:** SÉRGIO BOTTO DE LACERDA - Chairman; LINDSLEY DA SILVA RASCA RODRIGUES – Board of Directors; GEORGE WASHINGTON TENÓRIO MARCELINO - The Master T B of Japan Ltda; TATIANA ESTEVES NATAL - BNDESPAR; NELSON PESSUTI – Fiscal Council; EDISON RAUEN VIANNA - Secretary.-----
