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## **The minimum tender condition of the offer for Arcelor securities has been met**

18th July 2006 □ Rotterdam □ Mittal Steel Company N.V. (NYSE: MT) announces today that, while the global centralising agent for the Offer is still in the process of verifying and counting the Arcelor securities tendered in the Offer, it has determined that, on a preliminary basis and based on statements made by financial intermediaries, the minimum tender condition of the offer (i.e., 50% of Arcelor outstanding shares on a fully diluted basis as set forth in the Offer prospectus, as supplemented) has been met.

The global centralising agent for the Offer will continue the process of verifying the tender information centralised from all the jurisdictions where the offer has been made (i.e., Belgium, France, Luxembourg, Spain and the U.S.), further counting the tendered Arcelor securities and completing the pro-ratio procedure among each of the secondary cash and exchange offers described in the Offer prospectus, as supplemented, in order to calculate the aggregate final results of the offer, broken down by type of offer. The final results of the offer will be published on July 26, 2006.

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### **No Offer**

No offer to exchange or purchase any Arcelor shares or convertible bonds has been or will be made in The Netherlands or in any jurisdiction other than Luxembourg, Belgium, Spain, France and the United States. This document does not constitute an offer to exchange or purchase any Arcelor shares or convertible bonds. Such an offer is made only pursuant to the official offer document approved by the appropriate regulators.

### **Important information**

In connection with its proposed acquisition of Arcelor S.A., Mittal Steel has filed important documents (1) in Europe, with the *Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier* (CSSF) in Luxembourg, the *Commission Bancaire, Financière et des Assurances* (CBFA) in Belgium, the *Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores* (CNMV) in Spain and the *Autorité des marchés financiers* (AMF) in France, including local versions of the Information Document approved by the CSSF, the CBFA and the AMF (AMF approval no. 06-139) on May 16, 2006 and by the CNMV on May 22, 2006 and local versions of supplements thereto approved by such regulators on May 31, 2006 (AMF approval no. 06-169) and July 4, 2006 (AMF no. 06-250), and a Share Listing Prospectus approved by the *Autoriteit Financiële Markten* (AFM) in The Netherlands on May 16, 2006 and supplements thereto approved by the AFM on May 31, 2006, June 23, 2006, July 4, 2006, and July 5, 2006 and (2) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in the United States, including a registration statement on Form F-4, a Prospectus for the exchange offer, dated June 7, 2006, an Amended and Restated Exchange Offer Prospectus, dated June 29, 2006, a prospectus supplement dated July 7, 2006, and related documents. Investors and Arcelor security holders outside the United States are urged to carefully read the Information Document and the Share Listing Prospectus, including the supplements thereto, which together contain all relevant information in relation to the Offer. Investors and Arcelor security holders in the United States are urged to carefully read the registration statement on Form F-4, the Amended and Restated Exchange Offer Prospectus, the prospectus supplement thereto, and related documents. All such documents contain important information. Investors and Arcelor security holders may obtain copies of such documents free of charge on Mittal Steel's website at [www.mittalsteel.com](http://www.mittalsteel.com). In addition, the French version of the Information Document is available on the AMF's website at [www.amf-france.org](http://www.amf-france.org), the Spanish version of the Information Document is available on the CNMV's website at [www.cnmv.es](http://www.cnmv.es), and the registration statement on Form F-4, the Amended and Restated Prospectus, the prospectus supplement thereto and related documents are available on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).

### **About Mittal Steel**

Mittal Steel is the world's largest and most global steel company. The company has operations in sixteen countries, on four continents. Mittal Steel encompasses all aspects of modern steelmaking, to produce a comprehensive portfolio of both flat and long steel products to meet a wide range of customer needs. It serves all the major steel consuming sectors, including automotive, appliance, machinery and construction.

For 2005, Mittal Steel had revenues of US\$28.1 billion and steel shipments of 49.2 million tons. The company trades on the New York Stock Exchange and Euronext Amsterdam under the ticker symbol **MT**.