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Trademark Trial and Appeal Board  
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Opposition No. 91124556

HSS Hire Service Group PLC

v.

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Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

Applicant-counterclaim petitioner's November 17, 2003 consented motion to suspend is **granted**. In view of the parties' apparent ongoing settlement efforts, the Board hereby **suspends** proceedings until **six** months from the mailing date set forth above the caption of this order, subject to the right of either party to request resumption at any time. See Trademark Rule 2.117(c). In the event that there is no word from either party concerning the progress of their negotiations within the next six months, the Board will issue an order resuming proceedings and reset all appropriate dates.

If, during the suspension period, either of the parties or their attorneys should have a change of address, the Board should be so informed in writing. Trademark Rule 2.18.

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