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<b>SPEAKER</b>	<b>TIMECODE</b>	<b>English TRANSCRIPTION</b>
Interviewer	10:00:00:02	I'm here with Julien Onillon, Director of Investor Relations at Mittal Steel. Can you comment on Mittal's first quarter results?
Julien Onillon	10:00:07:05	Yes, of course. We are very pleased with the results. We did better than our guidance. If you remember last quarter what we say that we were expecting volumes of 10%, our selling price to be about stable and our cost per tonne to rise slightly, which was implying an operating profit of less than 10%. Our operating profit was up 17%, and our IPS per share was up by 15%, so very good result, very pleased with that.
Interviewer	10:00:34:13	What were the factors that led to this strong performance?
Julien Onillon	10:00:37:09	Well, we did very well in the US and in Europe. In North America in particular we have gained market share. We have gained market share also in Europe. We did well because we have a very strong business model and a leadership which allowed us to effectively gain market share.
	10:00:51:22	Forget the US for instance, our shipments rose by nearly 6.5%, where as a market we're growing into only 2%. That's a very strong performance. In Europe, our (inaudible), our shipments have 10%, more than 10%, that's a very strong performance again, higher in the market.
	10:01:08:10	Lastly, of course, to a very strong performance in the US and Europe in terms of operating profit. Our operating profit in the US, North America we should say, was at more than 50%. In Europe we nearly double our operating profit compared to the first quarter. In only one quarter, it's very, very strong.
Interviewer	10:01:24:06	How have recent acquisitions contributed to this success?
Julien Onillon	10:01:27:03	Oh well, they're doing well. The integration is progressing very well. In Asia, we have already captured all the synergy, all the synergy we would be expecting in terms of revenue. We have also captured 90% of the cost cutting in terms of purchasing. In Asia, things are going well, as planned. Our synergy entered about \$150 million, we are expecting for 2007, still \$250 million, so the progress is in line. And clearly that's made a lot of profit today for the company.
Interviewer	10:01:57:14	What's Mittal's outlook for the second quarter and the rest of 2006?
Julien Onillon	10:02:01:02	Second quarter in the rest of 2006 is expected to be very good. The reason is that we have been, experienced a very tough environment in fact in Asia / Africa.

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We have suffered of that in the first quarter, but now the process are to recovery. The price in Quwain?? was very, very low and have (inaudible) in Asia / Africa. We have big exposure to this region. That's something we benefit. We have also in Europe, in the US, some price increase, economy's improving, our entry level is low and that we expect some price increase to come during the year and that of course will leverage out with our internal growth and that will be a very good result to come.

Interviewer 10:02:39:22 Julien Onillon, thank you very much.

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