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INSUD metal production company Since its arrival in the country in the mid-1940s until its closing operations in the late 1970s

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Abstract

This paper will deal with the history of INSUD a metal production factory in San Justo, La Matanza, Buenos Aires. Given the complexity of collecting data and information on a company that left the country over 37 years ago, this paper attempts to highlight and deepen some specific issues in the history of metallurgy, and its links with the most relevant history of La Matanza. Thus, we try to remember the link between the company and the founding of San Justo Social Sports Club; the degree of its participation in the founding of medical centers (CEMEFIR and the San Justo's children hospital), the creation of a technical school (former N ° 2 of San Justo), through the Chamber of Industry and Trade of La Matanza; the link between the company and important personalities of San Justo (José María Cruzado and Dr. Enrique Eizaguirre) as well as the relationship between metallurgy and the formation of transnational capital networks. At the same time, an attempt is made to deepen the conflict between the company, its workers and the community during 1974. Lead poisoning provoked by the metallurgical industry (which was systematically denied by it) gave rise to a large workers organization with the support of the community; which in turn worsened the conflict which reached its point of maximum tension with the kidnapping of Enrique Mendelsohn, director of the company Community which began A rise of the conflict that expressed their maximum tension through the kidnapping of Enrique Mendelsohn,

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director of the company. Inquiring about the role of the company in the history of La Matanza with the data and information gathered is an attempt to justify the work *per se*.

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