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Heat-treatable steels, alloy steels and free-cutting steels - Part 17: Ball and roller bearing steels

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