LIST OF SYMBOLS

А	Fractional surface area
Ar	Real area of contact
B	True peak broadening
b	Magnitude of Burger's vector
c	composite
D	Average diameter of reinforcement
d	Crystallite size
d _g	Average grain size
F	Force
G	Shear modulus
H	Flow hardness
K	Strength coefficient
K ⁻¹	Per kelvin
K _B	Bulk modulus
Kc	Constant
K _H	Hall-Petch coefficient
m	matrix
n	Strain hardening exponent
Р	Normal load
Ra	Surface roughness
RT	Room temperature
r	reinforcement
$ m V_{f}$	Volume fraction of reinforced particles
VF_M	Volume fraction of matrix
VF_R	Volume fraction of reinforcement
vol.%	Volume percentage
wt.%	Weight percentage
x _f	Fractional concentration of foreign atoms
α	Coefficient of linear thermal expansion
β	Coefficient of volumetric thermal expansion
$ heta_B$	Bragg angle
$\Delta \sigma_{Orowan}$	Contribution of Orowan strengthening
A	mechanism
$\Delta \sigma_{dislocation}$	Contribution of dislocation strengthening
۸ –	mechanism
$\Delta \sigma_{grain-refinement}$	Contribution of grain refinement strengthening mechanism
٨σ	Contribution of solid-solution strengthening
$\Delta \sigma_{solid-solution}$	mechanism
C	Lattice strain
ε ε _d	Fractional difference in zirconium and
<i>v</i> a	aluminium atom diameters
ε _p	True strain
λ	Wave length

λ_{e}	Edge to edge particle spacing
μ	Coefficient of friction
μ_{ad}	Adhesion component of the friction
μ_{asp}	Asperity component of the friction
μ_e	Elastic component of asperity deformation
μ_p	Plastic component of asperity deformation
μ_{part}	Particle or third body component of the friction
μ_{plow}	Ploughing component of the friction
v	Poisson ratio
ρ	Dislocation density
ρ_M	Density of matrix
ρ_R	Density of reinforcement
$ ho_c$	Density of composite
$\sigma_{composite}$	Strength of the composite
σ	True stress
τ	Shear strength