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NAME: J. MORONI STOOF AND M-S COMMODITIES, INC.

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Commodity Exchange Authority

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(Administrative Hearing Under the Commodity Exchange Act)

A complaint and notice of hearing has been signed by the Assistant Secretary of Agriculture charging violation of the Commodity Exchange Act by:

J. Moroni Stoof

(Bountiful, Utah) and

M-S Commodities, Inc.

(Chicago, Illinois)

The complaint charges that during the period March 15 through March 18, 1971, J. Moroni Stoof, a branch office co-manager of M-S Commodities, Inc., converted to his own use \$ 51,600 which had been received from his employer's customers to margin their commodity accounts. As a result of such conversion and the commingling by M-S Commodities, Inc. of Mr. Stoof's accounts with those of the firm's ordinary customers, it was under-segregated in amounts ranging up to in excess of \$ 51,000.

The issuance of a complaint under the Commodity Exchange Act does not constitute proof of violation of the law. Such violation is established only when the Judicial Officer of the Department has made a determination that the evidence substantiates allegations in the complaint. Complaints are filed in the Office of the Hearing Clerk of the Department of Agriculture and are a matter of public record. Pending disposition by the Judicial Officer, it is the policy of the Commodity Exchange Authority not to comment or elaborate on charges contained in complaints or to discuss evidence on which they are based.

A public hearing on the complaint is scheduled to be held before a referee at 10:00 a.m., local time, on January 26, 1972, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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