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TO: Robert W. Hanson, Executive Director IAS
Donald Huffman, Chairman-Elect IAS

FROM: Arnold Adelberg, Chairman, Iowa Section MAA

RE: IAS Affiliation

The Iowa Section of the MAA considered its relation to the IAS at its business meeting of 19 April. The section, in response to the motion of the Academy's Board of Directors that "it no longer function as the Mathematics section of the Academy" unanimously adopted the following motions:

- (1) That the Iowa section of the MAA shall no longer function as the Mathematics section of the IAS.
- (2) That the Executive Committee of the Iowa section of the MAA be instructed to make every effort to negotiate, in a constructive manner, its holding of its meeting at the time and place of the Academy meeting, consistent with our interest in continued joint meetings with SIAM and ASA.

Thus, after substantial discussion, the Iowa section decided to follow your recommendation, which would clarify our relation with the IAS and be more in accord with realities of the situation. In transmitting these motions to you, I would like to make a few points which are consistent with the discussion:

- (1) Our assumption is that the mathematics program would not be listed in detail by you and that there would be no abstracts or abstract fees.
- (2) Whatever participation members of the MAA would have in Academy events would be at their discretion, according to an appropriate fee formula which you can establish.
- (3) The issue of registration fees for members of the Iowa section of the MAA who wish to participate only in activities of the MAA remains to be resolved. It was strongly expressed by members of the section that these fees should be minimal and/or shared by the section for its meeting expenses (chiefly refreshments and postage and printing).

I hope that a satisfactory arrangement can be worked out. It appears to me that this would be in the best interests of the IAS, particularly since we intend to continue to meet jointly with the Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics and the American Statistical Association, so that a wide spectrum of mathematicians is involved. It would also be in the interest of the MAA, since we recognize the importance of maintaining and indeed expanding our links with the general scientific community.

dd: A.M. Fink, E.J. Peake