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In the Matter of: )  
Franchise Rule )  
 ) File No. R511003  
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Tuesday, October 21, 1997

Suite 2150  
Federal Trade Commission  
1999 Bryan Street  
Dallas, Texas

The above-entitled matter came on for testimony pursuant to notice, at 1:00 p.m.

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MR. TOPOROFF: Good morning. This is Steven Toporoff from the Federal Trade Commission, and we're meeting here today. It's October 21, in Dallas, Texas. This is the second day of a two-part meeting to discuss issues involving franchising and the Commission Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

This meeting is open to the public, and members of the public and any interested party is free to appear today to offer their comments again on franchising, business opportunities, or any other issue involving the Commission's Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

Again, this is a public meeting. A transcription will be made of any comments that might be expressed today. And it is our hope that a copy of this transcript will be made available on our Internet site. So that concludes the introductory remarks. Thank you.

**(Whereupon, at 1:05 p.m., the proceeding was concluded.)**

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