of

MATHEW I. ERGAS

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING OF NOTICE OF DECISION BY (CERTIFIED) MAIL

For a Redetermination of a Deficiency or a Refund of Unincorporated Business: Taxes under Article(s) 23 of the Tax Law for the (Year(s) 1963, 1964 &: 1965

State of New York County of Albany

Martha Funaro , being duly sworn, deposes and says that she is an employee of the Department of Taxation and Finance, over 18 years of age, and that on the 24th day of January , 1974, she served the within Notice of Decision (or Determination) by (certified) mail upon Mathew I. Ergas

(representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Mr. Mathew I. Ergas
Rekov Kiryat Maske 17
Jerusalem, Israel

and by depositing same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper in a (post office or official depository) under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office Department within the State of New York.

That deponent further says that the said addressee is the (representative of) petitioner herein and that the address set forth on said wrapper is the last known address of the (representative of the) petitioner.

Sworn to before me this

24th day of January , 1974.

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(representative of) the petitioner in the within proceeding, by enclosing a true copy thereof in a securely sealed postpaid wrapper addressed as follows: Mr. Mathew I. Ergas
174 East 74th Street
New York, New York 10021

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1199 Park Avenue

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STATE TAX COMMISSION

Mario A. Procaccino,

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DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE

BUILDING 9, ROOM 214A STATE CAMPUS ALBANY, N. Y. 12226

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EDWARD ROOK SECRETARY TO COMMISSION

ADDRESS YOUR REPLY TO

A. BRUCE MANLEY
MILTON KOERNER

Dated: Albany, New York

January 9, 1974

Mr. Mathew I. Ergas 174 Hast 74th Street New York, New York 10021

Dear Mr. Ergas:

Please take notice of the **DECISION** of the State Tax Commission enclosed herewith.

Please take further notice that pursuant to Section (s) 722 of the Tax Law, any proceeding in court to review an adverse decision must be commenced within 4 Months from the date of this notice.

Any inquiries concerning the computation of tax due or refund allowed in accordance with this decision or concerning any other matter relative hereto may be addressed to the undersigned. These will be referred to the proper party for reply.

Very truly yours,

Migel I Wright

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HEARING OFFICER

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cc: Petitioner's Representative Law Bureau

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DECISION

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A hearing was duly held on September 12, 1973, at the offices of the State Tax Commission, 80 Centre Street, New York, New York, before Nigel G. Wright, Hearing Officer. The petitioner was represented by Issac Ergas, his son. The Income Tax Bureau was represented by Saul Heckelman, Esq., appearing by Francis X. Boylan, Esq.

The record of said hearing has been duly examined and considered.

ISSUE

The issue in this case is whether the petitioner is engaged in a business which would thereby subject him to unincorporated business tax.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. For many years Mr. Ergas followed the career of trading in commodities. In years prior to 1963, he had been connected with

commodity trading firms in New York City. This did not continue during the years in question.

- 2. In the years here involved, Mr. Ergas traded in commodities for his own account to a small extent. His primary income, however, came from fixed fees paid to him by a Mr. C. Armistead Motz, who was a very active trader in commodities and who had an office and staff on East 48th Street, New York City. These fees were \$15,000, \$16,000, and \$15,000 for the three years 1963, 1964, and 1965. No taxes or social security payments were withheld by Mr. Motz from the fees paid to Mr. Ergas. Mr. Ergas incurred expenses in connection with the income of between \$600 and \$1,200 a year. The relationship between Mr. Ergas and Mr. Motz is described as casual and haphazard.
- 3. Mr. Ergas did not maintain his own office. He did not hold himself out generally as a commodity advisor nor was he registered with any regulatory agency as such.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. The petitioner is engaged in gainful activity requiring the expenditure of expenses. He is not an employee. The tax is applicable.
- B. The deficiency is found to be correct and is due together with such additional interest as may be computed under section 684 of the Tax Law.

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Nigel G. Wright

HEARING OFFICER

cc: Petitioner's Representative

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Gabriel DiCerbo, Chief

Review Unit

Income Tax Bureau

Room 104, Building #8

FROM: Nigel G. Wright

Hearing Unit

Room 214A, Building #9

RE: Mathew I. Ergas

174 East 74th St.

New York, N.Y. 10021

DATE: 1/17/74

SOCIAL SECURITY NO.

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058-22-5808

Please advise as to the last known address for the above named taxpayer.

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Taxpayer's last known address is:

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