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MIT LISP MACHINE LICENSE SIGNED

Today Symbolics, Inc. became the only licensee of the MIT Lisp Machine Operating System. Concluding 7 months of negotiations, Symbolics was granted a non exclusive license by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to offer MIT Lisp Machine operating systems for use on Symbolics' commercial computers. Representing over 20 man years of top level programming effort, the licensed software gives users outside MIT access to the programming environment of the 80's.

Symbolics' Research Center in Cambridge will continue development and support of new symbolic software. Enhancements to the licensed software created by Symbolics and MIT will be shared. Symbolics' first enhancement will be the inclusion of local file and tape back-up software to enable stand-alone operation of Symbolics furnished systems. Symbolics' customers will receive a sub-license granting them on-going access to those enhancements.

Symbolics plans commercial introduction of symbolic systems based on the MIT Lisp Machine technology starting in May 1981. A full line of computer systems will be offered providing a range of performance and prices.