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CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 1-- Professor Ronald R. Parker, Director of the MIT Plasma Fusion Center responded today to an article published this morning in the Boston Herald, an article that he says has seriously misquoted him and given a largely incorrect view of his discussions with the Boston Herald's reporter, Nick Tate.

Professor Parker issued this statement:

"The article erroneously characterizes remarks that I made regarding the cold fusion experiments done at the University of Utah. Specifically, I did not: (1) Deride the University of Utah experiments as "scientific schlock" or (2) Accuse Drs. Fleischmann and Pons of 'misrepresentation and maybe fraud'."

Today, Professor Parker's colleagues will present a paper (co-authored with him) at the meeting of the American Physical Society in Baltimore, Maryland, in which they suggest that data that Drs. Pons and Fleischmann claim support the observation of neutron emission in their experiments were misinterpreted by Pons and Fleischmann.

Based on their independent analysis, the MIT researchers say that if neutron emission occurred in the Pons and Fleischmann experiment that they reported in the *Journal of Electroanalytical Chemistry*, it would have been at a level far below that reported by the University of Utah group.