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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, GART SPORTS COMPANY (Name to be changed to THE SPORTS AUTHORITY, INC.), Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on July 28, 2003. Tentative listing date – August 5, 2003.

Sincerely,

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