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NEW ROBOT*LINKTM SOFTWARE PACKAGE PERMITS

INTERFACE BETWEEN TOMY ROBOTS AND HOME COMPUTER SYSTEMS

CHICAGO, June 2, 1985 -- Robot*LinkTM, an innovative new software package developed and published by Plainview, N.Y.-based Computer Magic, represents the first viable interface between the home computer system and the home entertainment robot. Through Robot*Link, a home computer operator can actually program the movement and function of Tomy Corporation's Omnibot 2000, Omnibot and Verbot home entertainment robots, and store the programmed function on cassette tape for future use.

Compatible with Atari^R, Commodore^R, IBM^R, Apple^R and Radio Shack home computer systems, new Robot*Link directly interfaces with the three Tomy home robots through a special cable link. The program allows the user to save, retrieve and/or mix different command programs for the robot. Communicating directly with the robots' programmable memory system, mobility and utilitarian functions are automatically stored for immediate or future use.

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Robot*Link also permits the Tomy robots to achieve additional mobility unavailable through the standard remote control units that ordinarily control their movements.

Included in the Robot*Link program is "Spin the Robot," a unique new game that can best be described as high-tech charades. The Tomy robot automatically spins, stops in front of one of the human players, blinks and instructs the player to draw a Magic Activity Card. The activity cards present a specific charade that the player must perform in order to continue his role in the game.

Using the same "Spin the Robot" principle, users can create their own unique games incorporating the Tomy Omnibot 2000, Omnibot and Verbot robots.

In addition to Robot*Link, Tomy will be introducing the "Land of Imagination" cassette adventure software package for the Omnibot 2000 and Omnibot. An interactive story adventure for children aged 3 and up, the software leads the robot and its audience through a magical story filled with sound, lights and action.

Other Tomy robot peripheral products to be introduced at the June Consumer Electronics Show include "Robot Basketball" and a number of other entertaining robot enhancements.

Tomy Corporation, based in Carson, Calif., is the leading manufacturer of home entertainment robots and offers a full line of educational and entertaining toy products.

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