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September 11, 2002

Mr. Jonathan G. Katz
Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20549

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Dear Mr. Katz:

Enclosed please find the original signed sworn statements of Ross Stores, Inc.'s Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Michael Balmuth, and Chief Financial Officer, Mr. John G. Call, as required by Commission Order 4-460, Order Requiring the Filing of Sworn Statements Pursuant to Section 21 (a) (1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Electronic versions of these sworn statements will be attached as exhibits to a Form 8K filing we intend to make on September 12, 2002.

Please confirm your receipt of these documents by date stamping the enclosed duplicate copy of this letter and returning it in the attached self-addressed and stamped envelope.

Sincerely,

Kathleen B. Loughnot
Vice President, Investor & Media Relations and
Assistant Corporate Secretary

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Bradley J. Rock, Esq., Gray Cary Ware & Freidenrich



Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings

I, Michael Balmuth, state and attest that:

- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Ross Stores, Inc., and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's Audit Committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
 - Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 2, 2002, of Ross Stores, Inc., filed with the Commission on April 25, 2002;
 - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Ross Stores, Inc. filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
 - any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Date: September 3, 2002

By: 
 Michael Balmuth
 Vice-Chairman
 and Chief Executive Officer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of September 2002

My Commission Expires:


 Notary Public

EILEEN M. FITZPATRICK, Notary Public,
 State of New York, County Of New York
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