**Term:** Assertion  

**Quote:** To *assert* a proposition means to accept responsibility for it, so that if it turns out ill, or as Mr. Schiller says (by implication) *unsatisfactory*, in a certain way which we need not define, but which is called proving to be *false*, he who has asserted it regrets having done so.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1905 [c.]). *The Basis of Pragmaticism*. MS [R] 280.

**References:** MS [R] 280:25-6  
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