



OFFICE OF
THE MINISTER FOR SCIENCE

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Our reference:

Your reference:

21st November, 1960.

Dear Pickavance,

We are holding another meeting of the Working Group on the joint use of costly research facilities on the 28th November.

At this meeting, I hope to reach agreed conclusions on what to recommend about 'Atlas', so that a report on that subject can be written and agreed before Christmas.

We shall have to discuss where the first 'Atlas' should be located, whether in N.I.R.N.S., in Harwell, or in a university with rights of access to other parties.

I hope you may be able to say at the meeting whether N.I.R.N.S. would be prepared to take on this job, if that was felt to be the right answer. If it were agreed that N.I.R.N.S. should do this, it might, I think, be laid down that there should be guaranteed minima of time on the machine for A.E.A., N.I.R.N.S., universities and Government Departments, with power to N.I.R.N.S.

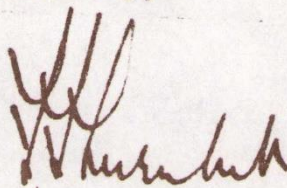
- (a) to turn away what can reasonably be done on smaller machines;

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Rutherford High Energy Laboratory,
Atomic Energy Research Establishment,
Harwell,
BERKS.

- (b) to allocate the balance of the time, and any unused time within the quotas;
- (c) to sell commercially any time not needed for university, A.E.A. or Government Department work.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'F.F. Turnbull', with a stylized, cursive script.

F.F. TURNBULL.