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NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN NUCLEAR SCIENCE

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Proposed Contract for Ripple Filter Transformers for Nimrod

Note by the Secretary

In the enclosed Nimrod Project Committee paper it is recommended that a contract be placed with Associated Electrical Industries Ltd. for two transformers at a total cost of £52,390. A.E.I. were the lowest tenderers by a large margin.

The Chairman of the Project Committee, on their behalf, has endorsed the recommendation to place the contract with A.E.I., and it is now submitted to the General Purposes Committee for approval.

To avoid delay in the programme it will be necessary to place the contract before the next G.P.C. meeting, and I would be very grateful therefore if members would let me know whether they approve, and if they do I will ask the Chairman whether he will give approval on behalf of the Committee.

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TENDERS

The information contained in the tenders enclosed in this file is strictly confidential and must not be disclosed to any unauthorised person.

NIMROD PROJECT COMMITTEE

Transformers for Ripple Filter Equipment

1. The Ripple Filter Equipment proposed for the Nimrod Power Supply was described in Paper PSPC/P.64 and approval in principle was given by the Project Committee at their meeting on 8th April, 1960.
2. The present Treasury Approval for Nimrod includes a notional sum of £80,000 for the complete equipment; the revised Nimrod estimate at present awaiting Treasury Approval includes £97,000 for the complete equipment.
3. Tenders have now been received from three firms for the manufacture of the two transformers which are the main items in the ripple filter scheme. The lowest tender is from A.E.I. Limited at £52,390 and their offer is technically acceptable. The other two tenders received are £81,530 and £92,000.
4. Past experience has shown that design changes may occur during the course of the contract and would result in claims for extras from the contractor. In view of this, and also the fact that the actual cost of the other items required is not yet known, it is not proposed at this stage to alter the present provision in the estimate of £70,000 for the two transformers.
5. The approval of the Project Committee is sought for the placing of the contract with Associated Electrical Industries Limited for the manufacture of the two ripple filter transformers at a price of £52,390.

J.J. WILKINS

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