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NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN NUCLEAR SCIENCE

GOVERNING BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT - 1962-63

Note by the Chairman

A draft of the Fifth Annual Report is annexed in galley form. Members of the Governing Board will no doubt have a number of fairly detailed comments which I hope they will submit. But I want to ask them to consider whether in their view the report is on the right lines - whether it covers the sort of matters which it ought to cover and whether the balance is right.

Hitherto our Report has been mainly descriptive of the plans for the future and the way these plans were getting on. We have also of course included, as we shall always have to include, some explanation of the way we spend our money together with some account of our administrative arrangements.

But as we get to the stage when Nimrod is in operation and research activities are being carried out on a big scale, we must consider how far we ought to include in our Report particulars of these experiments and the results obtained. Should we do so, the Report would of course be a highly technical and learned document and would tend to become very long. There is something to be said for the point of view that it would be more appropriate for detailed reports of the experimental work carried out at N.I.R.N.S. to be published in specialised scientific journals.

I am anxious that the Governing Body should consider the audience to which our Report is addressed, and I would greatly welcome comments on this issue.

(Note by the Secretary:

The obvious typographical errors have not been corrected on these copies)