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NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN NUCLEAR SCIENCE

GOVERNING BOARD

The Financing of University Experimental Work
at Institute Laboratories

Note by the Secretary

1. The financing of university experimental work at the Rutherford Laboratory was discussed in 1958 with particular reference to the proton linear accelerator, but with the intention that the procedure adopted should serve for Nimrod also. The decisions reached after discussions with the U.G.C., the D.S.I.R. and the A.E.A. were recorded in paper NI/58/22, a copy of which is appended.
2. In essence, it was agreed that the cost of university experiments at the Rutherford Laboratory would be borne by the Institute, except the cost of salaries of graduate research staff. In paragraph 5 of the paper it was recorded that the university would be responsible for these salaries, applying for support where necessary from the D.S.I.R. There had been a good deal of discussion on this point, and it was recognised that the decision might lead to difficulties. The office of the D.S.I.R. have now suggested to the Director of the Rutherford Laboratory (who supports the suggestion) that the decision should be changed, and that the Institute should replace the D.S.I.R. as the body from whom universities would seek support where necessary for these salaries.
3. The office of the D.S.I.R. have further suggested that the Institute should make any grants in respect of these salaries on the same basis as they do, for a period ending at the end of the university quinquennium, after which the cost would normally be borne by the university.
4. The Board are invited to review their decision recorded in paragraph 5 of paper NI/58/22 in the light of the above suggestions.