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Subject: Group Leaders' Meeting - May 14, 1956

To: Group Leaders and Associate Group Leaders

From: C. W. Farr

Date: May 17, 1956

Present: J. W. Forrester, R. R. Everett, J. A. Arnow, H. D. Benington,
D. R. Brown, W. J. Canty, C. L. Corderman, S. H. Dodd,
C. W. Farr, D. R. Israel, J. F. Jacobs, K. E. McVicar,
J. A. O'Brien, W. N. Papian, E. S. Rich, N. H. Taylor,
P. Youtz

- Agenda:
1. Time Cycle and Tracking Capacity
 2. Report on Friday ADES Meeting
 3. Correction of Minutes
 4. RAND Offers to Lincoln Staff

1. Time Cycle and Tracking Capacity

Arnow reported present indications of 90,000 registers required on the basis of 400 tracks; this includes crosstabling and all other items required in an active machine except the duplex functions (duplex load presently unknown). Taylor inquired whether the stand-by machine program could be kept on the drum; Forrester considered this desirable. Arnow said it depends on the total load.

Jacobs stated that a definite plan will be reported next week. Farr was asked to call for this plan on next week's meeting agenda.

Benington stated that the load has been previously estimated at 58,000 orders and 30,000 registers of data. Everett stated that the data load has grown more than the program load.

2. Report on Friday ADES Meeting

Everett reported on meeting May 11 at Lincoln with Moore

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Burke (replacing Gorman, promoted to Financial Vice President), Wilkes, Halligan, Julian West, Burger, and Simon. Two documents were discussed. The first includes provisions for ADES to arrange for common services; the document was generally agreed upon and will be issued shortly. The second document relates to design testing at the first three sites but particularly at McGuire; Halligan proposed clarification of the task by a study group to include Lincoln and WE-ADES representatives to report by June 15.

Forrester summarized that the tasks of defining the job, preparing the schedule, and fixing the responsibility are moving forward.

3. Correction of Minutes

Benington questioned a statement in the minutes of the May 7 meeting and agreed to discuss later with Farr to make necessary correction.

4. RAND Offers to Lincoln Staff

Jacobs discussed a proposal received from Madden of RAND concerning procedure under which RAND could consider Lincoln staff members for RAND employment without jeopardy to the SAGE effort. Four points were discussed. Agreement was reached that it would be inadvisable to authorize RAND to engage in an active recruiting program among Lincoln staff members. RAND should observe the courtesy of discussing with Lincoln before the fact each case in which RAND would contemplate making an offer to a Lincoln staff member. Concerning the question of salary, it was recognized that the rights of individuals to bargain for their services must be preserved; however, to join with RAND in a salary bidding race for individuals in a given assignment and a given locality would be detrimental to our air defense effort.

The discussion recognized the need for opportunity for individual advancement and freedom of choice and the long-range advantage to the SAGE system of staff personnel transfer at all levels.

Forrester suggested that Jacobs discuss the subject further with RAND and that RAND resubmit a proposed working arrangement. Forrester requested that any reply to RAND be discussed with Taylor and Everett before issue.

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