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SUBJECT: GROUP LEADERS' MEETING, August 10, 1953

To: Group Leaders

From: David R. Brown

Date: August 11, 1953

Present: J. W. Forrester, C. W. Adams, D. R. Brown, S. H. Dodd, R. R. Everett,
R. A. Nelson, N. H. Taylor, C. R. Wieser, and P. Youtz

- Agenda:
1. Personnel Estimate for Fiscal 1954
 2. Research Assistants
 3. Magnetic-Core Memory for WWI

1. Personnel Estimates for Fiscal 1954

An estimate of the personnel requirements of Division 6 for the current fiscal year is required by August 17. During May, 1953, Division 6 employed a total of 464 equivalent-full-time personnel, including staff, monthly, and hourly. The revised personnel estimate should show the average number of people we will have during the current fiscal year and also the estimated number of people we will have in June, 1954. Each group should determine what personnel it requires for the success of the Laboratory program and prepare a clear statement of the reasons any additional personnel might be required. The estimate is for the purpose of determining the Division budget, however, not the group budget.

Group 61 is critically short of personnel. The programming, use, and integration of a digital computer into an air defense system is a heavy responsibility borne by Group 61 alone.

Group 62 will require additional staff to strengthen activities where IBM is weak; these include systems, display, and installation facilities such as power supplies, air conditioning, etc.

Group 63 requires one or two good electrical engineers to permit transfer of trained engineers to Group 62.

Group 65 will plan to function as a special-service vacuum-tube laboratory, keeping its best personnel. The group might ultimately be reduced to about one-quarter of its former size.

2. Research Assistants

Space in the basement of the Barta Building may be available for Research Assistants by the time of the move to Lexington. Research Assistants

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working there could be closely integrated with the program in Lexington.

In planning the move to Lexington, we should give each Research Assistant individual attention. Those whose last courses come in the Spring of 1954 could either stay in Cambridge or move to Lexington, depending upon the daily class schedule. Research Assistants with course work going beyond the Spring of 1954 probably should remain in Cambridge.

3. Magnetic-Core Memory for WWI

The first bank of magnetic-core memory for WWI was operated on Sunday for Group 61. Margins are wider than in the Whittemore Building. Two parity alarms occurred Sunday. The magnetic-core memory can be used in place of either electrostatic-storage bank.

The second bank of magnetic-core memory for WWI is progressing smoothly. It may be constructed by September 1 and might possibly be operating by September 15.

Signed

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