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DRAFT REPORT TO THE COUNCIL OF A FIRST MEETING
OF COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

(Geneva, 26th and 27th of January, 1955)

1. At its first meeting the main business discussed by the Committee of Council was the action to be taken to fill the post of Director-General, following the request from Professor Bloch to be released from his post in autumn. The names of several possible candidates were discussed and further enquiries are now being made. Committee of Council will meet again on the 23rd of February to discuss the matter, and may then it is hoped have recommendations to make to Council on the 24th of February.
2. Committee of Council also interviewed a number of candidates for the post of Director of Administration, to fill the vacancy which will be left when Mr. Dakin's period of loan from the U.K. Board of Trade eventually expires. A very short list of candidates was selected and will also be discussed at the second meeting on the 23rd of February, after which recommendations may be made to the Council on the 24th.
3. Committee of Council also considered and recommend to the Council the report of the Finance Committee (CERN/FC/25 Rev. 2) and a number of papers referred to in that report and which will also be before the Council. Among these the most important was :

The Budget (CERN/FC/2 Rev.)

on which Committee of Council particularly recommends to the attention of the Council paragraph 2 in the Finance Committee report dealing with the relationship between the budget and the long-term financial programme.

Other matters dealt with in the Finance Committee report and now before the Council are :

- Financial Rules (CERN/80/Rev. 3)
- Staff Regulations (CERN/114 (A) Rev.)
- Staff Rules (CERN/114 (B) Rev.)
- Committee Expenses (CERN/FC/28 Rev. 2)
- Working Balance (CERN/FC/35)

4. Committee of Council also heard from Professor Heisenberg an oral report, presenting papers of the Scientific Policy Committee, which are now summarized for the Council's convenience as CERN/28.

In the course of his statement on the Research Programme, Professor Heisenberg drew attention to the need for the recruitment of a senior physicist to direct and advise the men who were to be engaged in the Research Programme. The Committee decided that this proposal required very careful consideration, particularly if it should involve expense beyond that provided for in the Budget, and invited Professor Heisenberg and Professor Bloch to prepare a paper on this subject. The Committee decided to recommend the Research Programme to the Council, on the understanding that this referred only to the proposals which are contained in Paper CERN/119, and which are provided for already in the Budget. The Council may wish the Committee to consider Professor Heisenberg's proposal further before reporting to the Council at its next meeting.

On the same report Committee approved a paper on Career Prospects for CERN Staff (CERN/116 Rev.) and recommends to the Council the amended resolution now appearing in that paper.

5. The Committee of Council heard, and recommends to the Council the Director-General's proposals for long-term appointments of senior staff (CERN/125).
6. The Committee considered and recommends to the Council a paper on Recruitment Procedure (CERN/118 Rev.). They requested the Director-General to report to the Council a revised set of Council Rules of Procedure (CERN/96 Rev.) embodying certain amendments which had been suggested by various delegations. They considered a Draft Agreement with UNESCO and decided not to proceed with it unless approached by UNESCO.
7. The Committee recommends to the Council a final draft of the Headquarters Agreement (CERN/115 Rev. 2) with the Swiss Federal Council.
8. The Committee discussed a statement by the President on the treatment which should be given to new applications for membership of CERN, and agreed to a policy expressed in a resolution appearing in CERN/129.

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