

COMMISSION 38: EXCHANGE OF ASTRONOMERS
(ÉCHANGE DES ASTRONOMES)

Report of Meeting, 19 August 1970

ACTING PRESIDENT: A. Reiz.

SECRETARY: F. B. Wood.

A memorial tribute to Dr H. D. Babcock was read.

The Draft Report was approved without modification. It was suggested that any proposals for new members be presented to the Organizing Committee.

It was reported that a sum of \$ 22000 for the next three years to aid in the exchange of astronomers had been approved by the Executive Committee of the IAU. Since this was not felt to be adequate, the President was requested to ask that at least additional \$ 4000 be obtained from ICSU or other sources.

Professor M. V. Migeotte had expressed his wish to resign as chairman of the sub-committee charged with travel grants to graduate students. At the suggestion of Dr Minnaert, it was decided to abolish this committee and to have its functions exercised by the Commission President.

A summary was given of the replies to a request from the President to countries which might wish visits of an astronomer from one of the active scientific centres. Only three replies have been received and in each case it has not yet been possible to supply a visiting astronomer. The suggestion that this sort of exchange might properly lie in the domain of Commission 46 was noted. Dr J. Sahade suggested that when experts in particular areas were required, advice of the Presidents of the appropriate IAU Commissions might be sought.