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Memorandum to:

Chairmen of Technical Committees of IRE

and AIEE

Chairmen of IRE Professional Group

National Committees

Chairmen of AIEE Institute Technical Groups

Dear Sir:

In connection with the merger of AIEE and IRE into IEEE, many questions concerning the coordination of technical activities of the two Institute have been received at the respective Headquarters and by the Officers and Directors.

Although many details remain to be worked out, a joint statement of the members guiding such coordination has been prepared by the Joint Merger Committee.

A copy of this statement is attached. If you have questions not answered in this statement, please do not hesitate to address them either to me or to Dr. B. M. Oliver, IEEE Director-elect, or to Mr. Hendley Blackmon, IEEE Director-elect. All communications should be sent to IEEE Headquarters, Box A, Lenox Hill Station, New York 21, N. Y.

Very sincerely,

Ernst Weber

President-elect, IEEE

Chairman, Subcommittee on

PTG/TOC Affairs

Guidelines on Coordination of the Technical Activities of AIEE and IRE

- 1. Interpretation of Article VI, Principles of Consolidation. The activities of the IEEE shall be conducted wherever possible through voluntarily associated groups of members, organized by (1) geographical areas (i.e. Sections, etc.) and (2) field of interest (i.e. PTG's). To provide for activities of the IEEE not adequately fulfilled by the voluntarily associated groups, Committees of members (such as Technical Committees) shall be appointed by the Board of Directors.
- 2. Exploration of Merger Areas. In accordance with Article VI (f) (1), the AIEE TC's and ITG's, and the IRE PG's are strongly encouraged to explore, actively but informally, appropriate areas for merging AIEE and IRE technical activities. It is to be fully understood that this exploratory activity is wholly voluntary on the part of all Committees, Groups and their personnel.
- 3. Any actual implementation of merged technical activities shall be based on a <u>mutual desire to consolidate</u>, on the part of the Committees and Groups involved.
- 4. When the conditions of items 2 and 3 are satisfied, the recommendation for merger of technical activity should be communicated in writing by the Chairmen of the Committees and/or Groups involved, to the IEEE Chairman of the PTG Committee (Director B. M. Oliver) and to the IEEE Chairman of the Technical Operations Committee (Director Hendley Blackmon) at IEEE Headquarters, Box A, Lenox Hill Station, New York 21, N. Y., on or after January 1, 1963.
- 5. The officers of Committees and/or Groups involved in merged technical activities shall share in the direction of the merged activity on a mutually agreeable basis, until the first regular election of the merged activity.
- 6. Committees and Groups which do not discover appropriate areas for merged activities will continue their individual functions and activities, as at present, so long as these activities shall prove useful for the IEEE. Any change in the status of any such continuing Committee or Group can be effected only by the IEEE Board of Directors.