RECOMMENDED APPROACH DURING FALL AND WINTER OF 1962

A - <u>IRE take these steps:</u>

1 - Critically review their present Professional Groups (PGs) and consoli-
date those that overlap, or can be mutually strengthened by combining.
2 - Each PG study the scopes of the various AIEE organizational units and
where they substantially overlap, the concerned PG immediately suggest
to AIEE the formation of a joint-committee to explore possible plans
for smoothly combining their activities into a Professional Technical
Group (PTG) promptly after the merger.
3 - Recommend a set of Technical Divisions that would logically include ⁽¹⁾ IRE PG Areas and the
② all technical areas now covered by IRE and AIEE.
4 - Study those technical fields that do not directly overlap AIEE scope of
operation to determine whether there are important new areas that should
be tentatively included in planning of future coverage of the new society.

B - <u>AIEE take these steps:</u>

1 - Each technical Committee study the scopes of IRE's PGs and standard-
izing committees and where fields of interest substantially overlap,
the AIEE Technical Committee immediately suggest to IRE the formation
of a joint-committee to explore possible plans for smoothly combining
their activities into a PG promptly after the merger.
2 - Systematically encourage each TC that can be interested, to take lead-
ership and form an ITG, in anticipation of continuing as a PTG at the
end of the transition period.
3 - Recommend a set of Technical Divisions that would logically include
all technical areas now covered by IRE and AIEE.
4 - Each Technical Division consider converting itself into a PTG after
the merger, thus functioning as an "umbrella" type PTG for the TCs
that remain, after steps B-1 and B-2. However, at any later time
previous TCs can spin-off from this parent PTG and petition for a PTG
of its own.

C - <u>At the end of a transition period</u> (perhaps a year) assemble all existing
PTGs, ITGs, and TCs into a few broad areas of interest as Divisions to:
(1) facilitate administration and (2) possibly provide a basis for pub-
lishing correlated and uniform Transactions for each community of interest.

D - <u>Soon after the transition period</u> a critical study should be made of the
field of the new organization to identify and evaluate any inadvertently
overlooked technical areas that should be included at the very start of
the new society.

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