14. FUTURE POLICY

The council received a general statement from D. Chevion, chairman of the future policy committee, outlining his preliminary thoughts which had not yet been discussed at a meeting of the committee. It was agreed that members of the committee should consider these suggestions after the receipt from D. Chevion of his written draft outline of the report towards the next meeting of the committee, before the meeting of the council in Edinburgh.

14a Need for greater order within IFIP

In a closed session the ideas circulated by I.L. Auerbach on 16th November, 1967 which included:

(a) revising the statutes and bylaws,
(b) reviewing the finances and their structure,
(c) considering the implications of having two secretariats,
(d) studying and reporting on the present administration and filing procedures,
(e) reviewing the rules of operation of the standing committees,
(f) considering future policy;
and the council noted that a number of these ideas coincided with those of Mr. Chevion.

It was agreed that

14.1 the review in (c) above should be put in hand, bearing in mind that an internal revision of the systems is already being conducted by the administrative secretary,

14.2 long-term plans for the secretariat should be prepared by a committee consisting of J. Carteron, I.L. Auerbach, and E. Harder.

14.3 the statutes and bylaws committee should conduct (e) above.

The view was expressed by the secretary-treasurer and the chairman of the finance committee that the services given by the secretariat at present were provided efficiently and at the lowest possible cost; and according to the feeling of several members of the council the merging of the two secretariats of IFIP is not favoured.