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## AN INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR THEORETICAL PHYSICS

### Joint Report by the Board of Governors and the Director General

#### Note by the Director General

Since the preparation of the Joint Report on an international centre for theoretical physics, the Director General has received further replies to his circular request for information on the subject [ 1 ]. The main points made in replies received up to 10 September 1962 are reproduced below for the information of the General Conference.

1. Ceylon. "... the Government of Ceylon welcomes the setting up of the proposed International Centre. It is regretted, however, that the Ceylon Government is not in a position to give any assistance as requested in paragraph 5 of your letter under reference."

2. Chile. Initial reply: "... the Chilean Government received a communication from the Italian Government requesting its support for the proposal to establish the Scientific Centre in question in the city of Trieste.

"In view of the valuable contribution Italy is offering, the Chilean Government is of the opinion that it would appear to be desirable to proceed in the manner proposed and accordingly is glad to give its support in that sense.

"In so far as a contribution by Chile towards financing the proposed Scientific Centre is concerned, the answer of the Concepción University and the Catholic University of Valparaiso is that, for the time being, they are not in a position to make grants for that purpose.... "

Supplementary reply: "The Physics and Mathematics Institute of the University of Chile believes that it would be in a position to provide a few visiting professors and other qualified specialists to take part in the Centre's work.

"Likewise, the University of Chile is prepared to meet the cost of occasional interchanges of professors and students and, in addition, to make available its buildings and installations and all requisite facilities in the event of its being deemed useful to include some regional courses in the specified subject as part of the Centre's future study programme."

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[ 1 ] See document GC(VI)/194, paragraph 2.

3. Colombia. "... the Colombian delegation to the International Atomic Energy Agency is in favour of establishing an International Centre for Theoretical Physics in the city of Trieste."
4. Ecuador. "I regret to inform you .... that, not for any lack of good will on its part, Ecuador will be unable to participate in the international action referred to."
5. Honduras. "... [the ] Government .... are in agreement with the offer made by the Government of Italy for the construction of an International Centre for Theoretical Physics in the port of Trieste."
6. Senegal. "In view of the considerable financial strain resulting from the various programmes to provide training in every sphere and at all levels, the Government would find it hard to give financial assistance.  
"As regards personnel, at the moment Senegal has no specialists who could be seconded from the teaching staff to take part in the Centre's work, either as professors or as fellowship-holders.  
"The Government of Senegal expresses its great regret at not being able to participate in the establishing of this Centre whose obvious value, at both the national and the international level, it nevertheless recognizes."
7. South Africa. "... the South African authorities will unfortunately be unable to make a direct contribution in the form of funds, fellowships, buildings or other facilities. They are also not in a position to make professors or fellows available for participation in the work of the Centre at the present time although this may be feasible at some later stage."
8. Turkey. "... the Turkish Government has decided to support the Italian Government's proposal that the seat of the International Institute for Theoretical Physics be established in Trieste."