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1. IN VIEW OF TIME LIMITATIONS, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO DEVELOP PROGRAM OF SITE VISITS IN MOSCOW AREA THAT CAN BE CONSIDERED IDEAL. THE PLANNING MUST ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING "BOUNDARY CONDITIONS" ON TIME, WITHIN WHICH SUCH PROGRAM MUST BE ARRANGED. THERE ARE ONLY TWO DAYS AVAILABLE FOR VISITS: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30 AND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4. ONLY THE PERIOD BEFORE LUNCH IS AVAILABLE ON FRIDAY (BECAUSE OF SCHEDULED SIGNING CEREMONY, ETC.), AND ONLY THE PERIOD AFTER 11:30 IS AVAILABLE ON TUESDAY (BECAUSE OF TIME NEEDED TO TRANSFER FROM TRAIN TO HOTEL AND PROBABLE 11:00 FINAL CALL ON KIRILLIN (FOR COMMISSION MEMBERS ONLY). FURTHER CONSTRICTION IS THAT SOME INSTITUTES (SUCH AS INSTITUTE OF HIGH TEMPERATURES) INVOLVES SUCH LONG ROUND-TRIP TRAVEL TIMES AND OTHERS (SUCH AS KURCHATOV AND TSNIIS) ARE SO FAR FROM OTHER INTERESTING SITES AS TO PRECLUDE TWO SITE-VISITS ON SAME DAY WITHOUT
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MAKING SUCH WHIRLWIND VISITS AS TO NULLIFY THE SCIENTIFIC

VALUE OF THEM.

2. SINCE IT HAS BEEN INDICATED THAT MOST MEMBERS WOULD WANT TO VISIT KRASNAYA PACHRA ON TUESDAY, MOST SITE VISITS IN MOSCOW UNFORTUANTELY MUST BE ACCOMPLISHED ON FRIDAY.

3. GIVEN THE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES, IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE, FOR EXAMPLE FOR DR. ANCKER-JOHNSON TO VISIT LEBEDEV, KURCHATOV, TSNIIS, AND IHT, AS SUGGESTED IN REFTEL. NOT ONLY FOR PROTOCOL REASONS, BUT FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL SCIENCE INVOLVED, DR. STEVER SHOUDD PROBABLY VISIT LEBEDEV (ACADAMICIANS BASOV AND PROKHOROV) AND INSTITUTE OF CONTROL PROBLEMS (TRAPEZNIKOV). LEBEDEV IS ON THE WAY TO TRAPEZNIKOV'S INSTITUTE, AND BOTH COULD BE VISITED FRIDAY. OTHER MEMBERS WOULD SPLIT INTO SUBGROUPS TO VISIT IHT, TSNIIS, KURCHATOV, OR INSTITUTE OF SPACE RESEARCH REPECTIVELY. IF COMMISSIONER LARSON IS ONLY MEMBER INTERESTED IN KURCHATOV, IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT HE HAVE APPOINTMENT FIRST WITH CHAIRMAN PETROSYANTS TO DISCUSS ATOMIC ENERGY AGREEMENT AND THEN VISIT KURCHATOV WITH SCAE ACCOMPANIMENT. ONE ADVANTAGE OF SPACE INSTITUE IS THAT IT HAS NOT FREQUENTLY BEEN VISITED EXCEPT BY APOLLO-SOYUZ TEAMS.

4. IF SOME MEMBERS PLAN TO REMAIN IN MOSCOW TUESDAY, OTHER POSSIBILITIES WOULD OPEN UP, OF COURSE. NO RESISTANCE TO KRASNAYA PACHRA VISIT HAS BEEN ENCOUNTERED, AND WE ASSUME MAJORITY WILL WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EXCURSION BOTH FOR THE HIG-QUALITY LABORATORIES THAT HAVE RECENTLY OPENED THERE AND FOR ACCESS REASONS, EVEN THOUGH IT IS NOT A TRUE AKADEMGORODOK IN THE SENSE OF ONES AT PUSHCHINO OR NOVO-SIBIRSK.

5. EMBASSY HAS RAISED POSSIBLITY OF ZELENOGRAD VISIT, BUT SCST REACTED UNFAVORABLY PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF TIME LIMITATION AND FACT THAT "EUQUALLY GOOD" SVETLANA FACTORY CAN BE VISITED IN LENINGRAD. WE TEND TO AGREE THAT UNLESS SUITABLE CONTINGENT OF PARTY WOULD BE WILLING TO TRAVEL DIRECTLY TO ZELENOGRAD UPON ARRIVAL IN MOSCOW TUESDAY, WITH JUST SHORT OR NO STOP AT HOTEL, TRIP TO ZELENOGRAD WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO ACCOMPLISH.

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6. IN ORDER TO FIRM UP VISITS, IT IS ESSENTIAL TO KNOW WHICH MEMBERS WILL VISIT WHICH INSTITUTES PER PARA THREE ABOVE, AND WHO WILL BE GOING TO KRASNAYA PACHRA. PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT OF SCST URGENTLY NEEDS THIS INFORMATION SO THAT INSTITUTES CAN BE INFORMED AND DIRECTORS WILL KNOW WHOM TO EXPECT AND ALSO CAN ARRANGE THEIR PERSONAL SCHEDULES.

7. SCST VERY MUCH HOPES THAT ENTIRE PARTY WILL TRAVEL TO-

GETHER TO LENINGRAD. INDIVIDUAL VISITS BY SPECIAL INTERESTS
FOR WG CHAIRMEN IN LENINGRAD AND MOSCOW CAN BE WORKED OUT
WITH SOVIET COUNTERPARTS AFTER ARRIVAL, BUT SEPARATE ITIN-
ERARIES (I.E., DIFFERENT CITIES) FOR COMMISSION MEMBERS OR
WG CHAIRMEN WOULD BE UNDESIRABLE FOR ESCORT AND OTHER REASONS.
IF ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE TO REMAIN IN USSR AFTER DECEMBER 5,
IT WOULD PROBABLY BE POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUAL
TRAVEL FOR SMALL NUMBER.
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