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Building R.1.

Further Accommodation Needs.

I show on the attached sketch the suggestion for meeting future accommodation needs of the Laboratory, by building an Office and Laboratory Block as an extension running east and then north from R.1. to meet the R.18 Extension and providing a Stores by closing the gap between this extension and R.9.

This would have the following advantages:

1. The close proximity of Groups would promote the community spirit required.
2. The cost of services and roads would be minimised.
3. The appearance of the Laboratory from the east would be improved.
4. The proposed store could provide a 'local' store facility for Buildings R.1., 2., 8., 9 and 18, thus minimising staff needs and enabling the space now occupied as Stores in the Ground Floor of R.1. to be released for other purposes.

I have not developed the theme in detail, for example, I do not know what areas for additional labs. and offices and stores are contemplated. These factors might modify the suggestion in detail such as stopping the stores short of the Office Block with a narrow link between them. The change of levels would have to be taken into account. There would however, be the built in virtue that loading bay height would be readily achieved where indicated on the sketch. The whole of the area between the east side of the building and Road 6 could be car park.

I consider that it would be worthwhile looking into this suggestion in greater detail, but obviously there would be no point in doing so, unless it was agreed to be a acceptable possibility.



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Building R.1.
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ROAD 4

R17
INFL. STORES

R18

R18 EXTN

UNLOAD BAYS

R9

STORES
(METAL GRD FLOOR)

ACCESS

R1

LINK

LABS.

OFFICES

TUNNEL ACCESS

R1

← CAR PARK
↓ TO ROAD 6.