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and the University would be pooled for the benefit of this work which we are all anxious to see a success. I cannot see how co-operation between the University and the others interested could be effected if we set up a fundamental research section in one corner of the building and the others set up a fundamental research section in another corner. As I say there will be duplication and waste of energy. I have always understood that the Government were willing that the University should participate in fundamental research to the greatest possible extent and that it was your intention to leave this matter of fundamental research largely to the Universities. This Institute is one of the first organizations where co-operation is attempted and we immediately find the Government insisting on having not only a technical research branch, but a fundamental research section as well. From a few words I had with the Hon. Mr. Stewart I gathered that he was of what, I think, is your opinion that this matter of fundamental research in the Institute here might be left to the University's staff and direction, always, of course, with the wishes of the joint administrative committee being observed.

You will note that the Fundamental Research Section as suggested provides for Physical Chemistry, Organic Chemistry and Colloid Chemistry Departments. Now I have all these in the University and am willing to place them at the disposal of the Institute. Co-operation will be weak indeed if all these departments are duplicated by the Government and the Association.

I believe that the attitude of those members of the Association who helped to draw up this chart was influenced by the attitude of the Government's representatives. It is an altogether different attitude than what they held a year ago and it looks as if they were being used to make the Deputy Minister's antagonism effective. I shall bring this chart with me on Monday and hope to have a full and frank discussion with you.