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Summary:

A follow up to John J. Pinajian's 4 April 1973 report on "India's Nuclear Position." Pinajian got some access to the Bhabha Atomic Research Center, but noticed the absence of personnel responsible for experimental work. Moreover, he was getting cooperation from the Institute for Fundamental Research to conduct an experiment.

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1. SUMMARY: USAEC SCI REP HAS GAINED GREATER ACCESS TO BARC BUT HAS NOT AS YET TALKED TO EXPERIMENTALISTS THERE. APPEARS TO BE APPROACHING BARC SOLUTION ASYMPTOTICALLY. SITUATION AT TIFR SHOWS MORE CONCRETE RESULTS. END SUMMARY.

2. BOTH DR. R. RAMANNA (BARC) AND PROF. M. G9 K. MENON (TIFR) HAVE CONTACTED DIVISION HEADS VERBALLY AND IN CONFIDENTIAL

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WRITING AS REGARDS PINAJIAN.

3. BARC: PINAJIAN HAS HAD TWO DISCUSSIONS WITH SECTION

LEADERS IN BARC' S ISOTOPES DIVISION AND ONE TOAR OF THE
PRIMARY ISOTOPES DEPARTMENT OF THAT DIVISION. HE NOW HAS
A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORK AREAS. HOWEVER, DURING
TOURE HE NOTES ABSENCE OF PERSONNEL ENGAGED IN ACTUAL
EXPERIMENTAL WORK AND AS A CONSEQUENCE HAS NOT TALKED TO
THE EXPERIMENTALISTS. HAS ASKED IN RECENT CORRESPONDENCE
WITH DEPARTMENT HEAD IN ISOTOPES DIVISION IF HE CAN HAVE
DISCUSSIONS WITH EXPERIMENTALISTS IN ORDER TO BETTER
UNDERSTAND SOME OF THEIRALPROARHES AND TO EXPLORE
POSSIBILITY EXPERIMENT.

4. TIFR: PINAJIAN HAS 3 MEETINGS WITH TIFR NUCLEAR
PHYSICISTS AND APPEARS TO BE ON TTE WAY ON SPECIFIC
EXPERIMENT. STAFF APPEARS TO BE VERY WILLING AND COOPERATIVE.

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