The University of Sussex is to be the base for a major new Pan-European collaborative project in mathematics, towards the first phase of which the European Commission has just awarded a grant of £390,000.

The aim of the Euromath project is to stimulate mathematical research throughout Europe, by creating a computer-based information environment - the Euromath system - which exploits the recent advances in the information and communication technologies.

The European Mathematical Trust, to be based at Sussex, will organise and administer the project, as well as representing the needs of mathematicians from more than 20 European countries in the development of Euromath.

The founding members of the Trust are Professor Sir Michael Atiyah of the University of Oxford (and an honorary graduate of Sussex) and Dr. Christopher Mulvey, Lecturer in Mathematics at Sussex and Secretary of the Council of the London Mathematical Society (the learned body concerned with mathematics in the UK). The project was initiated by the European Mathematical Council, of which Sir Michael Atiyah is Chairman, on behalf of its constituent national societies. Dr. Mulvey has been a member of the steering committee of the project since its foundation.

In its developmental phase Euromath will involve researchers from several European countries. The National Institute for Higher Education in Dublin, the Centre for Mathematics and Computer Science in Amsterdam, the Dansk Datamatik Centre in Lyngby, and the Fachinformationszentrum in Karlsruhe are among the organisations likely to be involved.

The Euromath system will provide integrated access to information retrieved, document preparation, and communications facilities for mathematical researchers throughout Europe. The project will establish a distributed database and communications system to which access will be gained through a number of regional nodes (typically within existing academic networks), the operation of which will be coordinated and maintained by a centralised facility, the Euromat Centre, based in Denmark.

The development of the Euromath system is expected to play an important role in stimulating mathematical research and publishing within Europe, both of which already enjoy a high academic reputation. An important aspect of

FUNDING OF RESEARCH BY INDUSTRY ON THE INCREASE

Industry and commerce are providing an increasing share of total research income at Sussex, according to a recent analysis of trends.

Although the Research Councils remain the major providers of funds, income from commercial sources has more than doubled in real terms over the last three years, rising from £320,000 to £670,000 (adjusted to January 1986 prices). Industry is expected to contribute 20 per cent of total research income soon.

The 20% mark has already been reached when income from public corporations and overseas bodies is added to that from UK industry. With the further addition of income from charities, the total amount received from non-governmental sources was £1.6 million in 1985/86.

The analysis, by the Research Grants Office, shows that the Science and Engineering Research Council remains by far the biggest single source of funding, providing more than £2 million of the total research income of £5.28 million in 1985/86. Funding from other central government sources has maintained an upward trend despite recent cutbacks, contributing over £300,000 in 1985/86.

And Sussex is maintaining its high standing amongst UK universities in terms of research expenditure as a proportion of total expenditure. A league table of UK universities, based on University Grants Committee (UGC) figures, shows that in 1984/85 (the latest year for which national information is available), the University was second only to Oxford, taking expenditure for those subjects represented at Sussex and weighted according to the level of research grants each subject is likely to receive. This analysis eliminates the University's disadvantage in not having a medical school, which would attract a high level of funding for research; and the weighting according to subject takes into account the imbalance between science and less heavily funded arts subjects.

In a league table based on all subjects, Sussex was fifth in 1984/85, behind Oxford, London Cambridge and York. This follows 14 successive years for Sussex in the top three.

In the league tables of individual subjects, Astronomy and Computing at Sussex were both fifth in the UK for research grant earnings in 1984/85. Social Studies came second whilst Biochemistry was fourth and Biology fifth.
COUNCIL
SITE DEVELOPMENT

A new building for the world-ranked scientific equipment manufacturers, VG Instruments, the siting of which has given rise to considerable controversy in Brighton in recent months, may end up on the University campus.

An earlier scheme from the company to develop a three-acre green field site opposite the University at Village Way North, Falmer, was turned down by Brighton Council at the outline planning application stage for environmental reasons.

The new proposal, from Brighton planning officers, is to locate the building immediately adjacent to the north of the Mantell building on the East Slope. The University Council, at its meeting on December 12, agreed to accept the proposal in principle, if formally presented. Its acceptance is subject to University officers conducting detailed negotiations on the financial, planning, academic and aesthetic aspects of the proposal.

£10,000 FOR STUDENT AND STAFF WELFARE

Up to £10,000 from Business Area surpluses is to be allocated to student and staff welfare purposes. Council has agreed. The allocation will be made on the recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee on Trading Services after consultation with the President of the Students' Union and the Staff Welfare Officer.

EXTENSIONS OF APPOINTMENT

Professor Aubrey Jenkins' appointment as Chairperson of the Sub-Deans' Committee has been extended to December 31, 1987. Mr. Richard Brown's appointment as Dean of African and Asian Studies has been extended to June 30, 1988.

LORD STOCKTON

As readers will be aware, Lord Stockton died on December 29 at the age of 92. As Prime Minister Harold Macmillan when he was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by the University of Sussex on July 11, 1963 at a ceremony to mark the installation of the University's first Chancellor.

SIR RICHARD WOOLLEY

Sir Richard Woolley, an honorary graduate of the University of Sussex, died on Christmas Eve at the age of 80. He was Astronomer Royal and Director of the Royal Greenwich Observatory, Herstmonceux from 1936 to 1971, and after his retirement he was the first Director of the South African Astronomical Observatory until 1976.

Sir Richard was an original member of the University Council and played an important part in the introduction of Astronomy into the University. He was appointed a Visiting Professor in 1965. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Science when the International Astronomical Union met at the University in 1970.

The Director of the Chinese National Research Center for Science and Technology for Development, Professor Xu Ping, and five colleagues, visited the Science Policy Research Unit on December 11. They were on a two-week visit to the UK, organized by the British Council, to study science and technology policy and development strategy with particular emphasis on technology transfer from research to production. Professor Xu (seated, centre) is pictured with Professor Geoffrey Oldham (Director, SPRU) (left) and Adrian Jones (Regional Director, British Council) and other members of the party. Third from the left, standing, is British Council Higher Education Division Visitor Miss Wei Yuling, currently working at SPRU as a Research Fellow (Engineering and Technology).

FORMER SUSSEX STUDENT WINS MAJOR LITERARY PRIZE

A work originally conceived as part of a tutorial assignment for a Sussex MA degree has won the Ryman New Writers' Award for 1986 for the best novel by a previously unpublished writer.

Marian Metcalfe, a former student on the MA (Language, The Arts and Education) course, won the award, designed to help previously unpublished writers to get into print, for her novel "Come the Morning". This will be published in 1987 by Muller, Blond & White under her pen-name, Mara Leighton.

Marian Metcalfe's novel had its beginnings in the creative tutorial assignment which students on her course take as part of their assessed work. She was encouraged by her tutor, Peter Abbs, to finish the novel and submit it for the Ryman award.

The standard of work shortlisted for the Ryman New Writers' Awards was described by the chairman of the judges, Lord Briggs, Provost of Worcester College, Oxford, and a former Vice-Chancellor of Sussex, as 'exceeding all expectations'. The judges included Anthony Blond, Auberon Waugh, Evelyn Anthony and James Buchanan.

Marian Metcalfe is an East Sussex music teacher, who has also published articles on music education and the uses of autobiography in education. Encouraged by the Ryman award, which attracted more than 3,000 entries, she is now at work on a book of short stories and a second novel. It is hoped that publication of her novel will be marked by a reception in the University Bookshop.

PROFESSORIAL FELLOWS

The University now has two new Professorial Fellows. Dr. Jeffery Leigh, Assistant Director of the AFRC Unit of Nitrogen Fixation, and Dr. Roy Rothwell, Senior Fellow of the Science Policy Research Unit, were promoted from January 1, 1987.

HONOUR

Emeritus Professor David Daiches is to receive an Hon. D.Litt from the University of Glasgow on June 17.
CHRISTMAS COMPETITION

The Christmas competition to suggest a suitable headline in Bulletin style for a Chernoby-type accident on campus produced such a high quality of response (and one complaint about the subject matter) that should the Information Office staff be decimated by the fall-out it is obvious that there are others on campus who could continue the Bulletin tradition.

We liked the entry from John Jacobs in CCS: "NUCLEAR HOLOCAUST DURING FINALS: V-C SAYS 'IT COULD HAPPEN AGAIN'" and his second effort "NUCLEAR BLAST WIPES OUT ONE-THIRD OF PHYSICS DEPARTMENT. FARRANT HELD ON SABOTAGE CHARGE", but thought that they were too personal for the Bulletin, pleased to receive an entry from Barry Pollard on a Continuing Education 'Video' evening course: "UNIVERSITY 'SURPRISE INDUSTRY' SHINES ON WORLD MEDIA".

More in the Bulletin style were "NEW THREAT TO CAMPUS ELM'S" from J.P.A. Baird in Experimental Psychology, and "BUILDING REFURBISHMENT POSTPONED AGAIN" from Dr. R.A. Jackson in MOLS, but we felt that they lacked that note of optimism which we try to strike.

The winning headline was from John Haigh in MAPS for

NEW HEAT SOURCE FOR SUSSEX: BOILER HOUSE TO CLOSE

which in true Bulletin fashion was able to see the silver lining even in a mushroom cloud. John's prize, a University mug, awaits him. John also contributed a short article to go with his headline, which we thought readers might enjoy:

"Sussex University will now be self-sufficient in heat and power for the foreseeable future, even though the old Boiler House gave way under the strain of the arrival of the new source of energy!"

"Council has agreed that work on repairing the MOLS roof can be deferred, and that conference business can be taken on, where available, in traditional 'term' times, as the surviving staff continue their occupation at some of the other new (and old) universities around the UK. The UGC has hailed these transfers as a logical development of its New Blood policy, and congratulated Sussex on its flexibility.

"Fears that Falmer Pond could be contaminated were dismissed as 'speculation' by a Sussex House spokesperson, who pointed out the impossibility of confirming or denying such rumours while the travel ban continued in the evacuation zone."

"Registrar and Secretary Dr. G. Lockwood (pictured below at pages 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) is already working on plans to replace the lost Science Park, and there is every indication that the University can re-open in time to celebrate its centenary."

WHY NOT FAX IT?

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FURTHER AWARDS FOR SUSSEX SCIENTISTS

Further official recognition of the Sussex Space Plasma Physics Group's contribution to a three-nation space mission has come from the West German aerospace research authorities.

Certificates awarded jointly by West Germany's Federal Ministry for Research and Technology and the German Aerospace Research Establishment were presented to five members of the group shortly before Christmas in recognition of the part they played in the highly successful AMPTE (Active Magnetospheric Particle Tracer Explorers) mission in 1984-86.

This latest recognition for Dr Peter Christiansen, Dr Paul Gough, Mrs Esther Gershuny (now at Rutherford Appleton Laboratory), Dr Richard Norris and Mr Richard White (MAPS electronic workshop) follows the receipt of the US NASA Group Achievement Award by Dr Gough, Mrs Gershuny and Dr Norris last year.

The commendation on the W. German certificate describes the project as one which "will be remembered in the space community as an outstanding example of international co-operation".

The aim of the AMPTE mission was to study the interaction of the solar wind and the earth's magnetic field, using three satellites built by the UK, USA and West Germany. The Sussex group's main involvement was in the development of hardware aboard the satellite and ground-based software which aided the collection and interpretation of data from the mission.

The importance of the group's work has been further emphasised by the adoption of the particle correlator designed by Dr Gough for use in future NASA and European Space Agency missions.
WORLD ARTS SEASON

With another highly successful Christmas show finishing its run only last Saturday, the Gardner Centre has launched straight away into an ambitious programme for the early part of 1987 which features a strong international season. Over the next three weeks alone the programme ranges from the European debut of a 27-strong Filipino theatre company to a line-up of 14 acoustic guitarist led by King Crimson founder Robert Fripp.

Events get underway again tomorrow (Wed. Jan. 14) at lunchtime in the gallery with witty feminist performance dance group Women With Beards, a remarkable Brighton-based outfit. Admission is free.

Tomorrow and Thursday evenings (Jan. 14 and 15) you can see the spectacular circus, comedy and theatre skills of Ra-Ra Zoo, an astonishing act which is simultaneously breathtakingly skilful and hilariously funny. It features former members of the Amazing Mendezes, Pookiemackenburger and the legendary Circus Oz. The show is full of surprises and the stunts are constantly on the verge of apparently imminent disaster. This act is a comic treat which will entertain all but the very young.

One of the more popular groups to appear at the Gardner is the Afro-Caribbean dance company Ekode on. On January 6 there's a chance to see a new ensemble designed to be the major British-based

"Warrior Dance" - Azido

Afro-Caribbean dancing and drumming group. Azido includes master drummers and dancers from Ghana, Nigeria, Cameroon, Sierra Leone, South Africa and the Caribbean in a colourful programme.

American contemporary music group Episteme come to the Gardner on January 17. The group is a vehicle for the remarkable young composer Anthony Davis, a classically trained musician with a fine jazz performance pedigree whose works defy categorisation.

Images Dance Company are a new and award-winning young group who have already given triumphant performances at the Pompidou Centre in Paris and were the first contemporary dance company to perform in Pakistan. Images will clearly be an important force in European dance in 1987 and you can see them on Jan. 26.

The following night sees the European debut of the Filipino theatre company Peta. Their show An Oath To Freedom is an exuberant blend of music, dance, theatre and stories which recounts the tribulations of life under the Marcos regime and the revolution which overthrew him. Peta also give a morning workshop on January 22.

The international flavour is maintained by a visit from Theatre de la Mie de Pain, the acclaimed French mime theatre company, on January 28 and 29. This eight-strong group was the hit of many international festivals last year. Their highly visual show is powerful and comic.

Robert Fripp was the leading figure in innovative rock group King Crimson for many years and has since worked with Peter Gabriel, Brian Eno and other major names. He has made only a handful of public appearances in recent years and in his two concerts on January 30 and 31 promise to be memorable events.

Also in the programme is the spectacular Living Lindy Hoppers on January 22 and 23. Those who enjoyed Loose Tubes' sell-out concert in October will want to see two of its leading members, Django Bates and Steve Arguelles, in concert as Human Chain on January 24. And on January 26 Jonathan Cross conducts the University Chamber Orchestra in works by Ives, Handel, Mozart and de Falla.

A Reputation Amongst Artists is a major exhibition of work by nine painters known to and admired by other artists but whose work is rarely seen by the public. The rich and diverse collection of paintings is in the Gallery until February 7, while the paintings, drawings and prints of Jane Lewis are in the Foyer.

PLANNING FOR 1990: UNIVERSITY DISCUSSION

As requested by the Senate, a University Discussion on the green paper, "Planning for 1990: Discussion Paper", will be held on Wednesday, January 28, from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. at the Molecular Sciences Lecture Theatre. Attendance is open to all members of staff and students. The Vice-Chancellor will be in the chair.

No papers will be issued specially for the Discussion, as its subject is the green paper which was widely circulated in December. Discussion will be held through a full cycle of Subject, School, Area, Old Planning Committee, Senate and Council meetings during the Autumn Term. In the light of that debate, the conclusions reached by the Council were as follows:

(1) within the limitations of the timetable imposed by the University Grants Committee (UGC) (see final paragraph below), the University Plan should, as far as possible, be drawn up on the basis of no single, mechanistic formula, but within a variety of factors and criteria, arrived at by debate in Schools, Areas, Planning Committee and Senate;

(2) the revised structure for graduate studies in Arts and Social Studies is approved, subject to: (a) proper provision for student representation and welfare, and (b) the possibility of amendments to the allocation of divisions to Schools (as in para. 2.2 of the green paper) by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Committee of Arts Deans;

(3) the UGC's planning numbers for home students in 1989/90 should be broadly adhered to, with the exception of exceeding the undergraduate number for "Computer Studies" at the expense of other groupings (paras. 3.3 and 3.4);

(4) the higher ceiling of 600 overseas students in 1989/90 is accepted, and enquiries should continue into how best the University might provide for their social, academic and accommodation needs (paras. 3.3 to 3.7);

(5) the estimates of general income in 1989/90 (paras. 4.2 to 4.9 and table 4.1) are approved, subject to the Planning Committee giving further consideration to the practical consequences of different levels of expenditure on major repairs and reporting to the Chairman of Council's Committee for decisions;

(6) the Library and the Computing Centre should be enabled to make bids to the Planning Committee for additional support in the event of increased resources being made available to Sussex (this amends para. 4.1.3);

(7) in the distribution of recurrent resources for academic purposes, the split between teaching and research should be 60/40 rather than 70/30 (this amends para. 3.4.1).

The Planning Committee is preparing a draft of the University Plan referred to in (1), taking account of the conclusions listed above, the more detailed comments already recorded by Subject and School Meetings, and of the UGC's requirement of an agreed academic plan at an early date as a precondition of claims on the national restructuring fund. The record of the University Discussion will similarly be taken into account.

The Vice-Chancellor kicking-off the annual women v. men admin football match which took place on December 17. For the record, the women won on penalties.
SUSSEX LINK WITH SRI LANKA

The University of Sussex will assist in the development of a new Commonwealth University - the Eastern University (EUSL) at Batticaloa in Sri Lanka - under the terms of an agreement signed at Sussex last year.

The agreement, which forms the basis of a Link Programme, is the culmination of five years' involvement by Dr. David Walton, Reader in Chemistry, who played a key role in establishing the new institution.

The Overseas Development Administration (ODA) is funding the link, initially for one year but if all goes well, for a further four years. Under the plan, junior academic staff from the EUSL will read for postgraduate degrees at Sussex as well as learn about teaching techniques, administration and allied matters. In addition, technicians will transfer to Sussex for six-month training programmes. The first three academic staff and one technician arrive here this month.

Sussex faculty from the Schools of Biological Sciences, Chemistry and Molecular Sciences, and Mathematical and Physical Sciences, will make a series of three-week curriculum planning visits to Sri Lanka and, in due course, will be seconded to Batticaloa to promote research and teaching activities at the EUSL. Three people will be in post at any one time, each for a minimum of four months, on a rolling basis for the next four years.

Meanwhile, in December Dr. Roy Turner visited Colombo for Physics curriculum planning discussions. David Walton in his capacity as Link Coordinator visited Sri Lanka in October and returned to Colombo during the Christmas vacation in order to complete negotiations for the initial phase of the link.

The establishment of the EUSL at a time of tension and ethnic strife is seen as an act of faith by the Sri Lankan government, which believes that improved educational opportunities will contribute to the stability of the country. At the EUSL inauguration ceremony held in Colombo on October 8, Dr. Stanley Kalpage, Chairman of the University Grants Commission of Sri Lanka, drew attention to "Dr. Walton's deep personal interest" in the development of education in eastern Sri Lanka, and to the link with Sussex. "ODA funding and the link arrangement with Sussex are crucial to the immediate development of the EUSL," he said.

The institution began life in 1981 as the Batticaloa University College, science-oriented and using English as the medium of instruction rather than Sinhalese or Tamil. Dr. Walton's association with Batticaloa stems from a visit to Sri Lanka in January 1981 when he learned of the project. In 1982-83, the Commonwealth Secretariat - through its Fund for Technical Cooperation - underwrote the cost of his secondment to Batticaloa to help set up the College. He was in Sri Lanka during the dark days of ethnic violence in mid-1983.

A steering group has now been set up at Sussex to coordinate the link with the EUSL, which has Faculties of Agriculture, Commerce and Management, Cultural Studies, and Science, and around 200 students at present. The new venture broadens the contacts between Sussex and Sri Lanka, which have existed for many years through the work of the Institute of Development Studies.

David Walton has formed a deep attachment to Sri Lanka during his many visits. He regards the link as a genuine partnership between two Commonwealth universities. "Through this agreement, the potential of Sussex to assist in the development of another Commonwealth university can be realised," he said. "I have received a most heartening response to the project from colleagues here."

£26,000 FOR COMPARATIVE STUDY OF HOUSING PROVISION IN FOUR COUNTRIES

Is housing provision better in other European 'Berkshires', and if so, why? Three researchers in the Urban and Regional Studies Division will be looking for answers to these questions in a new £26,000 project funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC).

Dr. Peter Ambrose, James Barlow and Dr. Simon Duncan will be studying housing in four European growth regions - the Berkshire end of the M4 corridor, the Île-de-France region in the French Alps, the Isar valley south of Munich and the Stockholm-Uppsala corridor in Sweden. Joint investigations are expected to be set up with researchers in these regions. This latest project follows on from previous work, also funded by the ESRC, which showed that Britain performs badly in comparison with other European countries. Housing in this country is more expensive for a worse quality product and the situation is deteriorating. Research has shown that this is partly a problem of blockages in housing production (especially in construction methods and land supply) and partly the result of inadequacies in the form of housing promotion dominant in Britain - speculative building.

Earlier research by the Sussex group on housing provision within Britain has pointed to the particular local problems of matching housing provision with needs.

Even in an area of relative prosperity and growth, as in the Berkshire end of the M4 corridor, the housing system appears to be failing. Enough new housing at appropriate prices and types is not being provided, even though what is built attracts large - if often hidden - subsidies from both national and local governments.
NOTICEBOARD

VACANCIES
The Personnel Office has issued the following summary of posts to be filled. Advertisements for these vacancies have been placed in local and, where appropriate, national press as well as being circulated to relevant Section Heads and union representatives for circulation to staff and noticeboards. Copies of these advertisements and further particulars, if available, as well as the application forms are obtainable from the Personnel Office, Room 227, Sussex House. This list was compiled on January 3 and is subject to revision. All posts are full-time, full-year and for male or female applicants unless otherwise stated.

Research
Research Fellowships in Theoretical Astronomy. Further information from Professor L. Mestel, Astronomy Centre. Research Fellowship in Physics. Further information from Dr. J. A. Venables, MAPS. Research Officer, Centre for Medical Research. Further information from Dr. J. Kay, Biology.

Building Contract Surveyor
required for the University of Sussex.

Electronics
Teaching Laboratory Supervisor (grade 6), EAPS. Contact Mr. R. J. Verral.

Computing
Programmer/Adviser
Technical Writer (for Computing Centre)

Clerical and Related
Secretary to Research Team (grade 2), Science Policy Research Unit.
Clerical Assistant/Secretary (grade 2), SPRU (closing date 19.1.87)
Senior Recruitment Clerk (grade 3), Personnel Office.

Manual
Two cleaners required (grade B UCNS) (for student residences).

OPTICAL DISK DEMONSTRATIONS
Until January 30, the University Library has been lent a set of equipment by Microinfo for reading CD-Roms (Compact Disk - Read Only Memory), as well as a number of disks themselves. Each disk contains a large quantity of information (equivalent to about 1000 floppy disks) and is accessible via a special reader, by an IBM personal computer.

If you would like to see this latest technology in use, please ask at the Readers Advisory Desk, or ring Mike Lewis (ext. 3466) in the Library.

LUNCHTIME MUSIC
Meeting House
1.15 p.m. in the Chapel. Admission free.
Today (Jan. 13): Haig Utidjian (Baritone)
January 26: John Birch (organ)
January 27: Liz Kaye (Soprano)
February 3: John Birch (organ)

Sussex Trugs
1 - 2 p.m. on Fridays at the Playing Fields Pavilion - mainstream/traditional jazz.

Chillingirian String Quartet
1 p.m., Tuesday, January 27, Gardner Centre - lecture recital on Bartok's Quartet No. 1. £1 (students 50p).

Center for Continuing Education
THE WHISTLER PRIZE ESSAY 1987
A prize of £100 is offered annually for an original essay on natural history or archaeology. It is endowed by the late Mrs. M. J. Whistler of Battle in memory of her husband, Hugh Whistler JP FZS, who had a special interest in ornithology.

The prize is open to all students of the University of Sussex, including registered members of classes run by the Centre for Continuing Education. Essays, which should not normally exceed 3,000 words, should be submitted by April 30, 1987.

Full particulars and guidelines for the submission of essays should be obtained from Mrs. M. J. Stott, Centre for Continuing Education, Education Development Building.

Center for Continuing Education
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR GEOGRAPHERS
- a Study Day at the University on Saturday, February 7, organised by CCE with the Geography Laboratory and the Computing Centre.
- MAPS AND THE SUSSEX LANDSCAPE
- a Day School at the University on Saturday, March 7, with tutors Dr. Fred Gray and Michael Smith.

Further details of these and other courses from the Centre for Continuing Education, ED6.

UNIVERSITY CLOSURES
The University will be closed for the Easter holiday from Wednesday, April 13 to Monday, April 20, inclusive. The University will also be closed for bank holidays on Monday, May 4 and 23 and August 31.

TERM DATES
This term ends on Friday, March 13. The Summer Term begins on Wednesday, April 22 and ends on Friday, June 26. The 1987 academic year begins on Monday, October 5.

SUMMER GRADUATION CEREMONY
A further reminder that the date of the 1987 Summer Graduation Ceremony is Tuesday, July 7 (a week earlier than usual).

REVIEW OF THE LANGUAGE CENTRE
The Planning Committee has requested the Senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor to review the future role of the Language Centre, its management and internal organization, and to formulate proposals for developing the provision of language teaching for all the University's registered students and staff. Consultations with interested parties are currently taking place but written submissions are invited from any person or group within the University. Please forward any such submissions to Sarah Butler, in the Planning Section, Sussex House, by January 22, 1987.

THE ROYAL SOCIETY
University Research Fellowships
Applications are invited for 20 appointments tenable from October 1, 1987 as Royal Society 1983 University Research Fellowships. Applicants should have a PhD or equivalent research experience and should be aged between 26 and 33. They must be British citizens holding appointments in science departments in UK universities.

Royal Society-British Academy Post-doctoral Research Fellowship in the History of Science
Applications are invited for the above fellowship, tenable from October 1, 1987. The fellowship has been established to enable an outstanding younger scholar to undertake a substantial piece of research. Applicants are usually expected to have a PhD and be under 30.

Mr. & Mrs. John Jaffé Donation Research Fellowship
Applications are invited for the above fellowship, tenable from October 1, 1987, for research in the biological sciences. Applicants should preferably be under 26 years old.

For further details and application forms for the above fellowships write (stating for which appointment) to: The Executive Secretary (UMAM), The Royal Society, 6 Carlton House Terrace, London, SW1 Y 5AG. The closing date for applications is February 16, 1987.

BULLETIN
The Bulletin will be published every three weeks this term. The next edition will appear on Tuesday, February 3. Copy must be received in the Information Office, level 2, Sussex House (tel. 8208) by no later than 5 p.m. on Monday, January 26. The last Bulletin of term will be published on February 24 (copy date February 16).

We can only inform you, if you inform us, so please remember to let us know about news events.

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BAILIFF DEFIED - AUT CALLS FOR END TO OCCUPATION

The Court Bailiff has made his first attempt to end the student occupation of Sussex House, now in its eighth day.

Accompanied by two police officers, he arrived at the building at 3.00 pm yesterday (Monday, January 19) to serve the writ for possession granted last Friday by a Judge in chambers.

The occupiers, who have barricaded entrances to Sussex House, refused to admit him or to leave the building.

After a few minutes the Bailiff posted the writ through the door of Sussex House and left. It is expected that he will take further action to execute the court order for re-possession, with police assistance.

Other major developments in the past 24 hours include:

- payment of wages to manual staff

- a call for an immediate end to the occupation in a strongly worded letter from the campus AUT President to the President of the Students' Union

- a four-hour meeting of the Planning Committee yesterday afternoon to initiate discussions arising from Senate and Council's acceptance of the Green Paper "Planning for 1990".

MANUAL STAFF WAGES

University manual staff were paid yesterday for the first time in almost two weeks. The weekly payment of wages which should have taken place last Thursday, January 15, was prevented by the occupation of Sussex House.

Finance Office staff have been unable to use the computer records of wages, but have now paid manual workers a sum rounded to the nearest £10, covering a two-week period ending Thursday, January 22.

The payments will be treated as advances and once the records in Sussex House become available, future wages will be adjusted accordingly.

Finance Office staff stress that it was not possible to calculate all overtime payments and anyone in immediate need of further payment should contact his or her section head.

Anyone suffering costs such as bank charges resulting from the late payment of wages will be re-imbursed, provided adequate proof is presented.

AUT PRESIDENT'S LETTER

The President of the campus branch of the Association of University Teachers (AUT), Dr. Des Cohen, has written to the President of the Students' Union condemning the occupation of Sussex House and calling for its immediate ending.

In his letter, sent following an AUT Executive Meeting yesterday (Monday), Dr. Cohen says: "It is deplorable, and to be regretted, that the Students' Union should have broken this Agreement [between the SUS and the AUT about direct action] by its action during last week in occupying Sussex House.

"The AUT has strong objections about what was done and how it was done. Information provided to the AUT makes it clear that some of our members in Sussex House were verbally abused and others subjected to physical assault. Such attacks on members of the AUT, and of other unions, are intolerable and must not happen again."

He continues: "You will recall that the AUT Executive was supportive of the Students' Union work-in on Tuesday, January 13, provided that the Library was allowed to function normally. Personal assurances were made by yourself on behalf of the Students' Union that this would indeed be the case. How is it possible for the Students' Union on the one hand to provide such assurances and then almost immediately take action which prevents our members from continuing with their normal work in Sussex House?"

"The Students' Union must activate the membership and remove itself from Sussex House immediately so that our and other union members can get back to work. It should also ensure that apologies continued over......
are made to all those employed in Sussex House, particularly to those workers who have been subjected to verbal and physical abuse."

A reply, signed by the Occupation Committee, re-affirms the occupiers' belief in "direct action" as "the only means available to students to make our fundamental opposition to the proposals [the Green Paper] known", and adds: "Union officers' personal assurances are precisely that - personal assurances and nothing more."

An AUT General Meeting has been called for 1.00 p.m. on Thursday, January 22 in the MDS Lecture Theatre to discuss the occupation and also the current salary claim.

A NALGO Branch Meeting, already arranged for 1.00 p.m. on Monday, January 26, in IDS Room 221, to discuss the 1967 pay claim, will also consider problems arising from the occupation.

Planning Committee

The Planning Committee met for four hours yesterday afternoon. It:

- confirmed the programme of major repairs and maintenance of University buildings
- agreed on a series of bids to the University Grants Committee (UGC) for further monies from funds ear-marked for areas such as major repairs, action to remedy the shortage of school teachers of science, continuing education and the PICKUP programme
- began the process of turning the academic sections of the Green Paper "Planning for 1990" into an academic plan or white paper, in the light of comments from Subjects, Schools, Areas and other bodies during the Autumn Term's discussions.

WARNING TO BUILDING USERS

Action is now going ahead to secure a court injunction covering all buildings on campus against illegal occupation.

Building users have been warned of the risk of small or larger groups of people attempting to disrupt activities or stage occupations, without warning, for the remainder of this term. Individual users have been asked to take precautions against attacks on activities in their buildings.

Registrar & Secretary, Dr. Geoffrey Lockwood, today reiterated University officers' willingness to hold talks to end the occupation peacefully, but said discussion had been made difficult by the occupiers' insistence that their demands were non-negotiable.

Officers had also had severe problems in knowing who to talk to. Some messages received a response from the Occupation Committee while others were dealt with by Students' Union sabbaticals.

Trades Union officers seemed to have had similar difficulties. The AUT President's letter to the President of the Union, for example, had received a reply from the Occupation Committee.

SUSSEX HOUSE

In Sussex House itself some of the occupiers have now broken open a locked door to get on to the roof of the building.

Wearing balaclava helmets or scarves over the lower part of their faces to prevent identification, occupiers on Sussex House roof yesterday burned an effigy for the benefit of a TVS camera before pelting the film crew with snowballs.

The effigy is thought to have been made up of an academic gown and cap, either the personal property of a member of staff or taken from new stock being held in the building for the Winter Graduation Ceremony.

Occupation sympathisers handed out leaflets at campus entrances yesterday morning and again today as staff arrived for work.