## Proposals and Resolutions Invited for 1980 Council Meeting

The AAAS Council will hold its next meeting on 7 January 1980 during the Association's Annual Meeting in San Francisco. Organizations or individuals who wish to present proposals or resolutions for possible inclusion in the meeting agenda should send them in writing to the Executive Officer, AAAS, 1776 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, for receipt no later than 6 November 1979, so that they may be considered by the Committee on Council Affairs at its fall meeting. The Committee asks that the following guidelines be observed:

- 1. All proposals and resolutions should be consistent with the objectives of the Association and deal with matters appropriate for consideration by the council of a scientific organization.
- Resolutions should be written in the traditional format, beginning with one or more "Whereas" statement-of-fact clauses and concluding with a "Therefore be it resolved" paragraph which presents a position that follows logically from the stated premises.
- 3. Proposals and resolutions that deal with technical matters must be accompanied by substantive supporting data and references.
- 4. Any proposal involving substantial expenditure of AAAS funds—such as a recommendation for the establishment of a study or investigative committee—should be presented in the form of a research proposal, with budget included, so that the financial implications of positive action are clearly stated.
- 5. All proposals and resolutions adopted by the Council at its forthcoming meeting will be published in the Proceedings Issue of *Science*. Proponents who wish the AAAS to undertake any wider distribution are requested to submit with their proposals or resolutions the names and addresses of individuals, organizations, or publications to which they would like to have copies sent.

An open hearing will be held by the Committee on Council Affairs at 2:30 p.m. on 4 January in the Shasta Room, San Francisco Hilton, to give interested persons an opportunity to speak for or against duly submitted resolutions or proposals.

At a meeting immediately following the hearing, the Committee will consider for possible inclusion in the Council agenda any late proposals or resolutions delivered to the Executive Officer in advance of the hearing, provided they deal with urgent matters and are accompanied by a written explanation of why submission was not made on or before 6 November. The Committee also will re-

## CSFR Meeting Set

The AAAS Committee on Scientific Freedom and Responsibility (CSFR) will meet on Friday and Saturday, 14 and 15 September, in the AAAS Board Room, 1515 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. The meeting is open. For further information, contact Rosemary Chalk, CSFR staff officer. Telephone 202/467-5236.

view and take appropriate action on requests from persons who wish to address the Council on particular agenda items. Such requests must be delivered to the Executive Officer, William D. Carey, or to the Committee Chairperson, Frederick Mosteller, in advance of the 4 January meeting.

Summaries of the Council meeting agenda will be available at the AAAS Information Desk, San Francisco Hilton Hotel. Copies of the full agenda may be inspected, upon request, in the AAAS Headquarters Office and at the AAAS Information Desk.

## Education and Careers of Handicapped Women Scientists Studied

The Office of Opportunities in Science (OOS), under a grant from the Bureau of Education for the Handicapped of the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, has recently begun a study of the education and career experiences of handicapped women scientists. Drawing on data collected through previous research projects, the study will: (i) present a general picture of the women's education, (ii) highlight unique situations and critical events, (iii) compare their training and work lives to men's and other women's (minority and nonhandicapped), and (iv) recommend changes for improving educational systems.

Responses from the sample of handicapped women will be compared with a control group of handicapped male scientists. The control group will be matched as closely as possible for demographic features. Particular attention will be paid to the experiences of minority scientists, men and women, whenever possible. The results of the study will be examined for those strategies which are significant for the improvement of education for women in general and handicapped people in particular.

The findings of the study will be widely disseminated through articles in scholarly and popular journals, presentations at meetings, and in the publication of a final report. Persons wishing to contribute or receive information are encouraged to write the Office of Opportunities in Science at the AAAS address.

## Science Writers to Visit China

This month, at the invitation of the Scientific and Technical Association of the People's Republic of China (STAPRC), the AAAS and the National Association of Science Writers (NASW) will sponsor the first visit by a delegation of science writers to China. The invitation for the group was made in late spring when the STAPRC delegation was in the United States as the guests of AAAS (see *Science*, 6 July 1979, pages 34–36).

The science writers, who will be in China from 6-21 September, expect to get a firsthand view of advances in many areas of Chinese science and technology by visiting research institutions in Peking, Shanghai, and Canton. Heading the delegation will be Barbara J. Culliton, news editor, *Science*, and vice president of the NASW. Deputy head of the delegation will be David Perlman, science editor, San Franciso *Chronicle*, president of the Council for the Advancement of Science Writing, and a past president of NASW.

Members of the delegation will include George F. Alexander, science writer, Los Angeles *Times*; Frederic Golden, science editor, *Time*; Ronald M. Kotulak, science editor, Chicago *Tribune*; Joann Rodgers, science writer, Hearst News Service; Cristine Russell, science/ medical reporter, Washington *Star*; Walter S. Sullivan, science editor, *New York Times*; and Robert J. Trotter, editor, *Science News*. Carol L. Rogers, head of the AAAS office of membership recruitment and public information, will accompany the group as staff officer.

For more information about the activities and publications described in AAAS News, write to the appropriate office, AAAS, 1776 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, unless otherwise indicated.