

Women Scientists and Engineers Asked to Participate in United Nations Conference

The Office of Opportunities in Science (OOS) is interested in identifying scientists and engineers who will be attending the World Conference to Review and Appraise Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women and the parallel Non-Governmental Organizations Forum in July in Nairobi, Kenya.

If you are planning to attend the Conference, and would be interested in participating in onsite activities in Nairobi, please contact Shirley Malcom, OOS, at the AAAS address.

Nomination of AAAS Fellows Invited

The AAAS Executive Office invites groups of three Fellows to nominate AAAS members for fellowship, provided that in each instance at least one of the three sponsors is not affiliated with the institution of the nominee. In order to be considered for election in 1986, nominations must be submitted no later than 6 September 1985. Nomination forms should be requested from the Executive Office at the AAAS address.

A Fellow is defined as "a member whose efforts on behalf of the advancement of science or its applications are scientifically or socially distinguished." Examples of areas in which nominees may have made significant contributions are research; teaching; technology; services to professional societies; administration in academe, industry, government, and other institutions; and communicating and interpreting science to the public.

Responsibility for reviewing and approving fellowship nominations is assigned to the Steering Groups of the 21 Section Committees. Each Steering Group consists of the four Section offi-

cers (Retiring Chairperson, Chairperson, Chairperson-Elect, and Secretary) and four members-at-large. An affirmative vote of a majority of the members is required for approval, but sponsors of a rejected nomination may appeal to the Committee on Council Affairs for possible reversal of the Steering Group's decision.

Nominations are also subject to challenge by any member of the AAAS Council, upon receipt of a preliminary list of nominees. A challenged nomination, if not withdrawn by its sponsors, will be reviewed by the Committee on Council Affairs; the Committee may either put it on the slate to be presented to the Council for possible election at the 1986 Annual Meeting in Philadelphia or defer its presentation for 1 year. Following their election, new Fellows will receive fellowship certificates; a list of their names will be published in the Proceedings Issue of *Science*.

A Directory of AAAS Fellows is available from the AAAS Product Sales Office, 1515 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20005. The price is \$5.40 prepaid.

AAAS Insurance Program Participants Receive Premium

For the first time, participants in the AAAS Group Term Life Insurance Plan will find a premium credit when they receive their notices of payment due on 1 April 1985.

The credit is equal to 16 percent of the premium contribution paid for the period from 1 October 1983 through 30 September 1984. The granting of such credit will be determined annually based on Plan experience and cannot be promised or guaranteed.

Offering term life insurance, the AAAS plan provides for coverage up to \$240,000 and is available in \$15,000 units. Administered by Smith-Sternau, the plan is underwritten by New York Life Insurance Company and enrollment

in the plan is subject to company approval.

For more information about the AAAS Group Term Life Insurance Program, members should call Smith-Sternau, the AAAS plans administrator, toll-free at 800-424-9883. In the District of Columbia, member should call 202-296-8030.

Dark Side of Science Available on Disk

In 1983, the Pacific Division of the AAAS published a collection of essays on fraud entitled *The Dark Side of Science*. The printing sold out, but the Division has arranged for the text to be available on computer disks, in microfiche, or in paper copy. Five 1/4-inch disks formatted for IBM PC's or XT's running DOS 2 or 3 can be obtained from the Division for the original cost of the book (\$8.95 per copy plus \$1.50 postage and handling per order; California residents must add sales tax). Only prepaid orders can be accepted. Please inquire about other computer formats, including CP/M and 8-inch disks. Orders and inquiries for the computer version should be sent to AAAS Pacific Division, California Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, California 94118.

Under an agreement with the Pacific Division, ERIC (Education Resources Information Center) sells *Dark Side* on microfiche or in paperback on a demand basis. For price and order information, call ERIC at 800-227-3742 (except in Virginia, Alaska, and Hawaii), or write ERIC, 3900 Wheeler Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22304. *Dark Side's* ERIC document number is ED 245917.

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.