

organizers will provide transportation between Dhaka and the conference.

AAAS members, who would be interested in participating on behalf of the Association and will be in the region at the time of the conference, should contact Sandra Burns, Office of International Science at the AAAS address no later than 1 November 1986. Please include a curriculum vitae. No travel funds are available; however, the Bangladesh Association for the Advancement of Science will extend local hospitality.

Ethics Society Group Meets This Month

The AAAS Professional Society Ethics Group, sponsored by the Committee on Scientific Freedom and Responsibility, will convene its fall meeting on 14 October. The session will feature presentations by John O'Brien, NASA general counsel, and Milton Silveira, NASA's chief engineer.

O'Brien will discuss how NASA takes into account ethical considerations in its planning and decision-making. Silveira will provide an engineering perspective on professional responsibility concerns at NASA, including the ethical issues associated with the launch decision of the Challenger 51-L flight.

The meeting will be held at the AAAS from noon to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, 14 October. AAAS affiliate organizations are invited to join the Professional Society Ethics Group. For more information contact Mark S. Frankel, Committee on Scientific Freedom and Responsibility, AAAS, or call 202-326-6793.

AAAS' Malcom Receives Award

The Science Skills Center in New York recently honored Shirley M. Malcom, head of the AAAS Office of Opportunities

in Science (OOS). Malcom received an award at the Science Skills Center's "Minds in Motion" Tribute to African American Scientists.

The awards, presented annually, signal the Science Skills Center's efforts to "honor the



outstanding work of a group that receives very little publicity. The program recognizes a segment of the black community that is too often ignored as positive role models."

Malcom has headed the OOS since 1979. She is a member of the Advisory Council of the Carnegie Forum on Education and the Economy and, from 1984 to 1986, chaired the National Science Foundation Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Technology.

Proposals and Resolutions Invited for 1987 Council Meeting

The AAAS Council will hold its next meeting on 18 February 1987 during the Association's Annual Meeting in Chicago. 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 at the AAAS, for receipt *no later than 14 November 1986*, so that they may be considered by the Committee on Council Affairs at its winter 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.

2) 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 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 15 February in the Hyatt Regency Chicago 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 14 November.

The Committee also will review and take action on requests from persons who wish to address the Council on particular agenda items. Such requests must be delivered to the Executive Officer or to the Committee Chair, Sheila E. Widnall, in advance of the 15 February Committee meeting.

Summaries of the Council meeting agenda will be available at the AAAS Information Desk in the Hyatt Regency Chicago. The full agenda may be inspected, upon request, in the AAAS office in that hotel.

D.C. Members—TV and Radio Reviewers Needed

Entries in the AAAS-Westinghouse Science Journalism Awards Contest are due in November. All entries, covering science stories from acid rain to space exploration, must be screened for scientific accuracy before submission to the final judging round.

This Award, administered by the AAAS Office of Communications, honors outstanding reporting in the sciences and their engineering and technological applications, excluding medicine. By encouraging the highest quality science journalism, the Award plays an important part in advancing the Association's goal of improving the public understanding of science and technology. Because so many people rely on the broadcast media for much, or all, of their news, the scientific accuracy of these reports is especially critical.

We are asking AAAS members in the Washington, D.C., area to help us screen radio and television entries in the Awards Contest. If you would be willing to come to the Association's headquarters (1333 H Street, NW) to screen entries in your scientific discipline, please contact Joan Wrather, Office of Communications, at the AAAS address, or call 202-326-6440 by 31 October 1986.