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Dear Member,

Owing to financial stringency the subsidy received by S.V.S. from the British Council may be reduced for the next financial year beginning 1st April 1948.

The Society has constituted a focus for scientists visiting the United Kingdom, with the purpose of promoting and encouraging an active exchange of scientific thought and discussion. To this end we have aimed at providing in the Society a centre for information, advice and general cultural interchange and stimulus. The meetings that have been held have, we believe, been an effective means of fostering these aims.

The Executive Committee must now decide whether the Society is to remain in existence. The purpose of this letter is to ask S.V.S. members to be good enough to let us know what aspects of the Society's activities have been of particular help to them and in what directions improvements might be made. The answers will be extremely valuable in helping us not only to decide on the question of the continuation of the Society itself, but also on any measures of reorganisation that may appear advisable. Your information and comments will be most welcome.

Yours sincerely,

J. G. Crowther

Secretary.