

## INTERNATIONAL INDIAN OCEAN EXPEDITION

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### SUMMARY OF SOUTHWEST INDIAN OCEAN COORDINATING MEETING, LOURENÇO MARQUÊS, MOZAMBIQUE 30 APRIL to 2 MAY 1962

A meeting with eighteen participants representing British East Africa, France, Malagasy Republic, Portugal (Mozambique), Republic of South Africa and the United States met for three days, largely in working groups dealing with specific disciplines. A one hundred sixty-six page report, about one half of which represents the deliberations of the working groups and the balance copies of various information documents presented to the meeting, was prepared by the local Portuguese committee and distributed to addressees on the SCOR primary mailing list and to the participants. Most of the institutions planning to operate in this area were represented.

After a detailed comparison of national and institutional programs in the various disciplines, it was the consensus that coverage of the area was adequate with the exception of the region East and Southeast of Madagascar. Specific reference stations were recommended. Need for rapid exchange of data, for standardization of various techniques and the coordination of various programs was emphasized. Specific recommendations were made for a variety of issues in each of the several disciplines.

It was agreed that for successful coordination a responsible representative for each major discipline at each participating institution should be present at such meetings. Participating countries and institutions agreed to continue through direct contact their coordination and exchange of plans, personnel and data.

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