

International Union of Crystallography

Ninth General Assembly and International Congress of Crystallography

The Ninth International Congress of Crystallography, organized by the Science Council of Japan for the International Union of Crystallography, and the Ninth General Assembly of the Union will be held in Kyoto, Japan, from 27 August to 7 September 1972.

The meetings will be held in the Kyoto International Conference Hall, Takaragaike, Kyoto. The provisional timetable is as follows: the Opening Ceremony and the first session of the General Assembly will take place on 27 August; scientific sessions will begin from 28 August.

The arrangement of the scientific programme will be broadly similar to that adopted for the Eighth Congress held in the U.S.A. in 1969. Scientific sessions will be composed of Frontier Topics, Open Sessions of Commissions of the Union, and *ad hoc* meetings. Abstracts of contributed papers on subjects covering a wide range of crystallography will be invited. Accepted abstracts will be printed in a book of Abstracts, which will constitute the scientific content of the Congress. Acceptance of an abstract will not necessarily result in an opportunity for oral presentation in the formal programme. The *ad hoc* meetings will be arranged with the intention of encouraging free discussion as well as the oral presentation of results.

Unlike the previous Congresses, neither Symposia nor

Topical Meetings will be planned before or after the Congress. However, some of the Frontier Topics will receive specific emphasis.

Further details of the Congress, including arrangements for registration, transport, accommodation, scientific visits *etc.*, will be described in the *First Circular* (an Information Booklet) which will be distributed about September, 1971.

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Through the National Committees for Crystallography the Japanese Organizing Committee will distribute separate copies of the above announcement with a *Pre-registration Card*, early in 1971. This card will also serve as a request form for the *First Circular*. These materials will be obtainable from the Secretaries of National Committees for Crystallography, and also from the Executive Secretary of the International Union of Crystallography or directly from Professor Y. Saito at the above address.

Copies of the *First Circular* will be sent to all those who return the *Pre-registration Cards*. They will also be distributed through National Committees for Crystallography.