

SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

ANNUAL REPORT

for the year

1957

and

Rules of Research Council

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CORRECTION

PAGE 19. APPENDIX II - GRANTS TO LEARNED JOURNALS

Delete £350 listed as paid to *Oceania* for 1957.

Total payments during 1957 for Grants to Journals should read £500 as per Financial Statement on Page 9 of the Report.

SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

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Annual Report for 1957

INCORPORATION OF THE COUNCIL

On June 3, 1957, the Social Science Research Council of Australia was incorporated in the Australian Capital Territory under the Associations Incorporation Ordinance 1953 as the SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED and new Rules were adopted at the Council Meeting in Canberra on June 6, 1957.

The Research Council is extremely grateful to Professor F. R. Beasley for his work in preparing the draft Rules for the incorporated Council.

Mr. W. S. Hamilton, Bursar of the Australian National University, was appointed Public Officer and his willingness to act in this capacity is much appreciated.

With incorporation the office of Trustee lapsed and the Research Council expressed its warm appreciation of the retiring Trustees, Professor A. P. Elkin and Mr E. B. Richardson, for their services over the past four years.

MEETINGS

During 1957 all meetings were held in Canberra. The Executive Committee met three times, on June 5, June 6 and October 18, and the Research Committee on October 17.

The annual meeting of the Research Council was held on June 6, in conjunction with the sessions of the Australian National Advisory Committee for UNESCO. Office bearers were elected at this meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

Mr. E. B. Richardson accepted the Council's invitation to become its first honorary member.

Professor Sir Keith Hancock, Director of the School of Social Sciences, Australian National University and Professor J. A. Barnes, Professor of Anthropology, University of Sydney, were elected to membership during the year.

The resignation of Professor A. Boyce Gibson of the Department of Philosophy, University of Melbourne, was accepted with regret.

Professor J. A. La Nauze, Convener of the Membership Committee, reported to the full Council in June on procedural matters discussed at a meeting of the Membership Committee in Melbourne

on December 8, 1956. Membership nominations will now be considered once a year following a meeting of the Membership Committee at the time of the annual Council meeting and all such nominations are to be submitted by the Secretary to the Committee two months before a meeting of the Committee.

It was agreed that the subscription for membership of the Research Council should remain for the present at £2/2/-.

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION MATTERS

1. *CARNEGIE FUNDS*

Of the nine individual research grants approved in October 1956, all but two were fully paid during 1957 and the research is continuing.

In October 1957 the Research Committee considered seventeen further applications. On its recommendations, the Executive Committee approved five new research grants (total allocation £2450). Details of the new grants, with a full statement showing expenditure from Carnegie funds during 1957, are given in Appendix I.

At the October meeting of the Executive Committee, it was agreed that the Research Committee should convene early in 1958 to examine the advisability of the Council itself sponsoring a major research project. A report on this is expected to be put before the Council at its 1958 meeting.

2. *COMMONWEALTH FUNDS*

(1) *Office and Secretarial Expenses*

No major office expenses were incurred during 1957 as the Australian National University generously continued the provision of office space and other essential items for the Research Council's use.

Mrs. Margaret Gibb continued as Assistant Secretary on a part-time basis.

(2) *Travel and Other Assistance to Seminars*

In addition to the normal travel facilities provided for members of Council attending official meetings, several special grants for conferences were approved during 1957. These were:—

Industrial Relations Research Seminar, January 1957

This seminar, held in Canberra to coincide with the visit of Professor Clark Kerr of the University of California, was attended by some thirty-four persons, including delegates from the Commonwealth Department of Labour and National Service, Australian Council of Trade Unions, the

Australian Metal Industries Association, as well as interested staff from most of the Australian universities. Four hundred pounds was approved for this seminar and actual expenses amounted to £347/7/5.

It was intended that the deliberations of the seminar should provide the basis of a review of Industrial Relations Research which the Research Council has asked Professor K. F. Walker to undertake. A budget of £200 was approved for this purpose.

Australian Political Studies Association Conference, August 1957

A conference of twenty-two political scientists was held in Canberra to discuss problems relating to the teaching of political science. A maximum grant of £320 was approved for this conference. Actually, the cost to the Council was £142/19/4 as the Universities provided considerable help with finances.

It has been agreed that the balance from the £320 allocated, namely £177, should be put towards the publication of papers and a report in a special issue of the *Journal of History and Politics*. The University of Queensland is providing assistance to the extent of £250 for this publication.

(3) *Subsidies to Learned Journals*

Following applications for assistance, grants were made to the *Australasian Journal of Philosophy* and *Oceania*. Details are shown in Appendix II.

(4) *Publication Assistance for Manuscripts*

Full details of grants to aid the following publications are given in Appendix II.

- i. *Conflict of Expansion and Stability*. Sir Douglas Copland and Mr. R. Barback. Published by F. W. Cheshire Pty. Ltd. in 1957.
- ii. *Studies in Australian Politics: The 1926 Referendum and the Fall of the Bruce-Page Government*. Mr. A. Wildavsky and Miss D. Carboch. To be published by F. W. Cheshire Pty. Ltd. in 1958. This book is now in proof stage.
- iii. *The Australians in German New Guinea*. C. D. Rowley. Assistance for this book was approved by the Executive Committee in June 1957. The manuscript is with the Halstead Press and the setting should begin immediately. Publisher: Melbourne University Press.

- iv. *Early Australian-New Zealand Relations*. E. J. Tapp. Approval for assistance granted in June 1957. To be published by Melbourne University Press in 1958.
- v. *Alexander Maconochie of Norfolk Island*. Mr. Justice J. V. Barry. Assistance approved by Executive Committee in October 1957. Australian Branch of Oxford University Press to publish.
- vi. *Associate Professor Burgess Cameron*. A contribution of £50 was approved by the Executive Committee in October 1957 towards the publication in the *Economic Record* of the Australian Transaction Table prepared by Professor Cameron, whose research work was assisted by a grant from the Carnegie funds held by the Research Council.
- vii. *Task Variability and the Level of Aspiration*. J. P. Sutcliffe. Published as Monograph No. 2, Australian Journal of Psychology, Melbourne University Press, 1955. Details of receipts from sales of this monograph, which have been very limited, are given in the financial statement.

SUBMISSION TO COMMITTEE ON AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITIES

A brief statement of activities and objectives of the Research Council was submitted to the Murray Committee.

REPRESENTATION AT PACIFIC SCIENCE ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, BANGKOK, NOVEMBER 1957

Following an invitation issued to the Research Council through the Academy of Science, Dr. A. Capell of the Department of Anthropology, University of Sydney, was selected to represent the social sciences at the Pacific Science Association Conference in Bangkok in November 1957. His fares, together with those of the four scientists appointed by the Academy of Science, were provided by the Commonwealth Government.

Two Council members were also at the Conference: Professor A. P. Elkin as senior member of the Pan Pacific Science Council, who led the Australian delegation, and Professor W. D. Borrie, whose fares were provided by the American Population Council.

RELATIONS WITH AUSTRALIAN HUMANITIES RESEARCH COUNCIL

On November 6, 1957, Canberra members of the Executive Committee met with representatives of the Australian Humanities Research Council for an informal discussion on matters of mutual interest.

It was agreed that the two Councils should co-operate in the provision of subsidies for learned journals which carried material of interest to both the Social Science Research Council and the Australian Humanities Research Council. It was also agreed to exchange copies of annual reports, to give close attention to membership matters, and to request the secretaries of each Council to keep each other fully informed on matters of common interest.

INVENTORY OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

As a result of the increasing number of conferences of international organizations and the many enquiries about these being made through the Social Science Research Council, it has been agreed to investigate the financial implications of fully implementing clause 2(1)(v) of the Rules, that is, that the Council should "act as the Australian national member of international organizations concerned with the social sciences".

This investigation is proceeding with a view to reporting to the Council in 1958.

BIBLIOGRAPHY OF CURRENT RESEARCH

Following an earlier decision of the Council, a Bibliography of Current Research in the Social Sciences has been prepared and will be published in 1958. It includes projects completed since 1953 and research current in 1956/57.

This project was undertaken to bring up-to-date the Bibliography of Current Research in the Social Sciences in Australia published in the *Australian Social Science Abstracts* in September 1954.

FINANCE

The main funds of the Council are the annual grant of £3500 from the Commonwealth Government which was renewed for three years from July 1, 1956, and the five-year Carnegie Grant of \$40,000 which has been received in annual instalments of \$8,000 in 1954, 1955, 1956 and 1957, with the final instalment due in January 1958.

During 1957 funds from the Commonwealth grant were used, as previously, for assistance associated with the publication of manuscripts, subsidies to learned journals, travel for social scientists and general office and working expenses, while the Carnegie grant was wholly used for grants to individual research projects.

The Council wishes to place on record its appreciation of the generous assistance received from both these sources.

Detailed financial statements, certified by the Honorary Auditor, Mr. P. W. Brett, Accountant at Canberra University College, are set out in Tables I, II and III.

TABLE

MAIN

Statement of Receipts and Payments

RECEIPTS

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Cash at Bank, January 1, 1957 —						
Carnegie Funds	3222	19	11			
Commonwealth Funds	397	1	3			
Other	795	8	3	4415	9	5
1957 Carnegie Grant				3570	12	8
Refund of Research Grant				73	0	3
Commonwealth Grant —						
1956/1957				3500	0	0
1957/1958 (1st instalment)				1750	0	0
Membership Subscriptions				117	12	0
Bank Interest				138	11	7
Commonwealth Loan Interest				200	0	0
Exchange on Cheques					5	6
Social Science Abstracts				42	19	3
Sutcliffe Monograph				8	4	3
				<u>£13816</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>11</u>

The books and accounts of the Social Science Research Council of Australia Incorporated have been audited in accordance with the rules of the Council. In my opinion this statement is a true and correct record

21st January, 1958

I

ACCOUNT

for the year ending December 31, 1957

PAYMENTS

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Grants Research as shown in Appendix I	2850	0	0			
Grants Journals as shown in Appendix II	500	0	0			
Grants Publications as shown in Appendix II	500	0	0			
Transfers to Working Account	900	0	0			
Balance on hand, December 31, 1957 —						
Carnegie Funds	4016	12	10			
Commonwealth Funds	3747	1	3			
Other	1303	0	10	9066	14	11
				<u>£13816</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>11</u>

of the transactions shown in the books and accounts examined by me.

P. W. Brett, A.C.I.S., Hon. Auditor.

TABLE
WORKING

Statement of Receipts and Payments

II
ACCOUNT

for the year ending December 31, 1957

RECEIPTS

	£	s.	d.
Balance as at January 1, 1957	640	14	4
Bank Interest	3	17	7
Transfers from Main Account	900	0	0

£1544 11 11

PAYMENTS

	£	s.	d.
Industrial Relations Research Seminar —			
Travel and Accommodation	329	7	9
Incidental Expenses	17	19	8
			<u>347 7 5</u>
Australian Political Studies Association			
Conference —			
Travel and Accommodation	132	19	4
Incidental Expenses	10	0	0
			<u>142 19 4</u>
Travel and Accommodation, Meetings	242	6	5
Industrial Relations Research Review,			
Professor K. F. Walker	61	18	0
Salary, Assistant Secretary	437	2	6
Office Expenses	19	11	9
Petty Cash	30	0	0
Printing and Stationery	63	10	3
Subscription to International Sociological Association ..	13	3	7
Other Expenses	26	16	9
Balance as at December 31, 1957	159	15	11

£1544 11 11

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TABLE III

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at December 31, 1957

LIABILITIES			ASSETS		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Research Grants allocated but not paid (see Appendix I)	3023	0 3	Office Furniture and Equipment —		
Grants to Learned Journals allocated but not paid (See Appendix II)	300	0 0	Imperial Typewriter	89	10 0
Grants to aid Publications allocated but not paid (See Appendix II)	650	0 0	Cash at Bank (Bank of N.S.W., Canberra) —		
Australian Political Studies Association —			Main Account	9066	14 11
Grant allocated for publication of report of Conference, August 1957, not yet paid	177	0 0	Working Account	159	15 11
Salaries due but not paid: A/c M. Gibb	26	5 0	Cash on Hand — Petty Cash	4	1 10
Excess of Assets over Liabilities as at December 31, 1957	10094	1 8	Commonwealth Government Securities —		
			Loan 101 (at cost)	4950	4 3
	<u>£14270</u>	<u>6 11</u>		<u>£14270</u>	<u>6 11</u>

Note: The Social Science Research Council of Australia Incorporated also has the following contingent liabilities:—
Grants to aid Publications:

F. W. Cheshire:			
Sir Douglas Copland & R. Barback, <i>Conflict of Expansion and Stability</i>	£658		
A. Wildavsky & D. Carboch, <i>Studies in Australian Politics</i>	500	£1158	0 0
Melbourne University Press:			
C. D. Rowley, <i>The Australians in German New Guinea</i>	£150		
E. J. Tapp, <i>Australian-New Zealand Relations</i>	200	350	0 0
		<u>£1508</u>	<u>0 0</u>

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21st January, 1958

P. W. Brett, A.C.I.S., Hon. Auditor.

APPENDIX I

CARNEGIE
RESEARCH GRANTSFUNDS
ALLOCATED DURING 1957

RECIPIENT	RESEARCH PROJECT	Amount of Grant	Unpaid balance carried forward into 1958
		£	£
Dr. S. B. Hammond, Reader in Psychology, University of Melbourne	Field survey for a study to examine the stability of specified family and intra-psychic characteristics over (a) time and (b) changed method of gathering information.	500	500
Mr. R. G. Neale, Senior Lecturer in History, University of Queensland	Study of Indian-Australian Relations 1776-1957.	700	700
Dr. Marie Reay, Senior Research Fellow, the Women's College, University of Sydney	Travel to and field expenses in New Guinea in connection with project of editing the Wedgwood papers and work with the people of the Central Highlands.	400	400
Dr. Alan Richardson, Senior Lecturer in Psychology, University of Western Australia	Study of British Immigrants in Australia.	400	400
Mr. T. G. H. Strehlow, Reader in Australian Linguistics, University of Adelaide	Study of the pre-white social organisation of the Aranda and neighbouring tribes in Central Australia and the effects on the native population in this area of its contacts with the white settlers. (Additional grant to complete carding of genealogical records.)	450	450
		£2450	£2450

APPENDIX I (Continued)

RESEARCH GRANTS

ALLOCATED DURING 1956

RECIPIENT	RESEARCH PROJECT	Amount of Grant	Payments made prior to 1957	Payments made during 1957	Unpaid balance c/frd. into 1958
Miss R. Atkins, Lecturer in Government, N.S.W. University of Technology	Local Government in Sydney.	£ 300	£ 150	£ 150	£
Mr. K. D. Buckley, Lecturer in Economic History, University of Sydney	Agrarian development in N.S.W. and Victoria, 1840-61.	750		750	
Dr. W. J. Campbell, Senior Lecturer in Education, University of Sydney	Social change in a rural community with particular emphasis upon the effects of TV and the implications for education.	250	125	125	
Mr. E. C. Chapman, Lecturer in Geography, University of New England	Seaports, port hinterlands and the coastal shipping trade of eastern Australia during the present century.	250		125	125
Mr. S. Encel, Senior Lecturer in Political Science, Canberra University College	Survey of senior executives and professional employees in Australia.	250	125	125	
Professor C. A. Gibb, Department of Psychology, Canberra University College	Dynamic dimensions of the family group.	500	250		250
Dr. I. G. Meddleton, Department of Education, University of Queensland	Investigations into the incidence of high-grade trainable subnormal children who are not normally provided for in ordinary primary or post primary schools.	750	375	375	
Professor C. C. Renwick, Head, Department of Commerce, Newcastle University College	Flood history and flood loss survey, Hunter Valley.	500		500	
Mr. T. G. H. Strehlow, Reader in Australian Linguistics, University of Adelaide	Study of the social organisation of the Aranda and neighbouring tribes in Central Australia (Second grant).	700		700	
		£4250	£1025	£2850	£375

OUTSTANDING RESEARCH GRANT

ALLOCATED PRIOR TO 1956

RECIPIENT	RESEARCH PROJECT	£	£	£	£
Dr. H. C. Brookfield, Senior Research Fellow, Australian National University	The growth, composition and distribution of the population of Cairns-Hinchinbrook area, Queensland.	250	51.19.9*		198.0.3
		£250	£51.19.9		£198.0.3

Total Research Grants paid during 1957 £2850 0 0

Total Research Grants carried forward into 1958 £3023 0 3

* Of the £125 paid to the University of New England on behalf of

H. C. Brookfield, £75/0/3 was refunded and is held for his use in 1958.

APPENDIX II

SUBSIDIES PAID FROM

GRANTS TO

NAME OF JOURNAL	
Australasian Journal of Philosophy ..	1957 1958 1959
Oceania ..	1957 1958
	<u>£1150</u>

COMMONWEALTH FUNDS*

LEARNED JOURNALS

Amount of Grant	Payments made during 1957	Commitments
£	£	£
150	150	1958 150
150		1959 150
350		
350	700	—
<u>£1150</u>	<u>£850</u>	<u>£300</u>

GRANTS APPROVED IN AID

OF RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

Author(s)	Title	Publisher	Outright Grant on Publication Paid during 1957	Carried forward into 1958	Guarantee against Loss	Period of Guarantee	Repayable Subsidy
Sir Douglas Copland and Mr. R. H. Barback	Conflict of Expansion and Stability	F. W. Cheshire	£ 500	£	£ 658	18 months	
Mr. A. Wildavsky and Miss D. Carboch	Studies in Australian Politics: The 1926 Referendum and the Fall of the Bruce-Page Government	F. W. Cheshire		200	500	18 months	
Mr. Justice J. V. Barry	Alexander Maconochie of Norfolk Island	Aust. Branch, Oxford Univ. Press		200			
Associate Professor B. Cameron	Australian Transactions Table	<i>Economic Record</i> , Dec. 1957		50			
Mr. C. D. Rowley	The Australians in German New Guinea	Melbourne Univ. Press		200			£150 according to sales @ 10/- per copy.
Mr. E. J. Tapp	Australian-New Zealand Relations	Melbourne Univ. Press					£200 at agreed rate per copy sold.

* This excludes administrative, meeting and travel expenses, etc, which Details of these are given in the financial statements.

are also met from Commonwealth Funds.

Rules of the Social Science Research Council of Australia Incorporated

as adopted at Council Meeting in Canberra on June 6, 1957

1. NAME

The name of the Association is the Social Science Research Council of Australia Incorporated hereinafter described as the Research Council.

2. OBJECTS

(1) The objects of the Research Council are

- (i) to encourage the advancement of the social sciences in Australia;
- (ii) to act as a co-ordinating group for the promotion of research and teaching in the social sciences;
- (iii) to foster research and to subsidise the publication of studies in the social sciences;
- (iv) to encourage and assist in the formation of other national associations or institutions for the promotion of the social sciences or any branch of them;
- (v) to act as the Australian national member of international organizations concerned with the social sciences; and
- (vi) to act as consultant and adviser in regard to the social sciences.

(2) The Association is not formed or carried on for purposes of trading or securing pecuniary benefit to its members.

3. MEMBERSHIP

(1) The Research Council consists of those persons who at the time of its incorporation were members of the Social Science Research Council of Australia and of persons subsequently elected in accordance with these Rules.

(2) (a) Persons who are deemed to have achieved distinction in one or more branches of the social sciences may be elected to membership of the Council if

- (i) they are nominated by one member and seconded by two other members and
 - (ii) they are recommended by the Membership Committee after investigation of their eligibility and
 - (iii) they receive the support of a majority of the members for the time being at a postal ballot.
- (b) On the unanimous recommendation of the Executive Committee and by a majority of those present at a general meeting the Research Council may elect honorary members from time to time and for such period as it thinks fit. The number of honorary members shall not at any time exceed five and such honorary members shall be eligible for election to any office other than that of Chairman and to membership of any Committee.
- (c)
 - (i) The Research Council has power to admit to associate membership persons who are working in or studying one or more branches of the social sciences but who are ineligible for membership under sub-rule 2(a).
 - (ii) The number of associate members is limited to such number as the Research Council in general meeting from time to time determines.
 - (iii) Persons deemed eligible under clause 2(c)(i) of this Rule may be elected to associate membership if
 - (a) they are nominated by one member and seconded by two other members and
 - (b) they receive the support of an absolute majority of the members for the time being at a postal ballot.
 - (iv) Associate members are not entitled to attend general meetings of the Research Council but may attend lectures, addresses, and seminars organized or conducted by the Research Council except when the Executive Committee decides to limit admission to members.
 - (v) Associate members are entitled to receive copies of the Research Council's publications on the same terms as members.
- (3) (i) Members pay an annual subscription to be fixed from time to time by members at a general meeting.

- (ii) Associate members pay an annual subscription of such amount as the Executive Committee determines not being more than one-half of the subscription payable by members.
- (iii) If the subscription of a member or associate member is unpaid for twelve months after the due date he is deemed to have resigned his membership or associate membership.

4. GENERAL MEETINGS

- (1) A general meeting of the Research Council is held at such time and place as the Executive Committee determines but not more than two years may elapse between general meetings.
- (2) A quorum for a general meeting of the Research Council is one-third of the number of members.
- (3) The Research Council has power at a general meeting to do all things which it deems necessary for the advancement of its objects and of which notice appears on the agenda.
- (4) Members are entitled to fourteen days' notice of the time and place and agenda of all general meetings.
- (5) The Research Council has power at a general meeting to change these Rules but
 - (i) twenty-eight days' notice of any proposed change must be sent or given to the Secretary,
 - (ii) the terms of every proposed change must be sent to all members with the notice of the meeting, and
 - (iii) no change shall be made unless assented to by a majority of the members and such assent shall be signified either at the meeting or by a postal ballot held after the meeting.

5. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

- (1) The Research Council in general meeting elects a chairman a secretary and a treasurer who hold office until the next general meeting.
- (2) The chairman of the Research Council is ex officio chairman of the Executive Committee and of the Finance Committee.

- (3) The Executive Committee consists of the chairman the secretary the treasurer and five other members elected by the general meeting and has power subject to these Rules to act on behalf of the Research Council in all matters (other than the election of new members of the Research Council) unless the Research Council in general meeting otherwise directs.
- (4) The Membership Committee consists of five members of the Research Council who are elected in general meeting and hold office until the next general meeting.
- (5) If the chairman is unable to attend any meeting of the Executive Committee or of the Finance Committee the other members of the respective Committee elect one of their number to be chairman of that meeting.
- (6) The Executive Committee is responsible for sending to all members of the Research Council
 - (i) a copy of the minutes of its meeting and
 - (ii) not less than twenty-one days before a general meeting a copy of the annual reports and financial statements.

6. FINANCE

- (1) The Finance Committee consists of the chairman of the Research Council the treasurer and two other members who are elected by the Research Council in general meeting provided that any two members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- (2) The Finance Committee is empowered to make recommendations to the Research Council and to the Executive Committee as to the expenditure of the funds of the Research Council.
- (3) The functions of the Finance Committee include the following —
 - (i) To investigate ways and means of increasing the funds of the Research Council.
 - (ii) To ensure that all moneys received by or belonging to the Research Council are paid into such bank account or accounts as it thinks fit to open in the name of the Research Council and to authorise one or more of its members either separately or jointly to sign and endorse cheques on behalf of the Research Council.

- (iii) To invest all moneys of the Research Council not otherwise required for the purposes thereof in such securities and in such manner as it thinks fit and from time to time to vary or realise such investments.
 - (iv) To make on behalf of the Research Council all payments authorised by or under these Rules and for that purpose to convert into money any property whatsoever owned by the Research Council and legally available for the purpose for which the payments are to be made.
 - (v) To pay out the moneys of the Research Council whenever directed to do so by a resolution of the Executive Committee which is communicated to it in writing signed by the chairman and by the secretary or treasurer.
- (4) If so authorised by a resolution of the Executive Committee communicated in the manner described in clause (3) (v) of this Rule the Finance Committee is empowered to transfer from time to time such sum as the resolution may specify into a special bank account in the name of the Research Council which account may subject to such conditions as the Executive Committee may specify be operated upon by such members of the Council as the resolution may direct

7. SEAL

The Seal of the Research Council shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of a resolution of the Executive Committee and in the presence of at least three members of the Executive Committee including either the chairman or secretary and those three members as aforesaid shall sign every instrument to which the Seal of the Research Council is so affixed in their presence.

MEMBERS OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH
COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED
DECEMBER, 1957

- ALEXANDER, F., Professor of History, University of Western Australia.
ARNDT, H. W., Professor of Economics, Canberra University College.
BALL, W. Macmahon, Professor of Political Science, University of Melbourne.
*BARNES, J. A., Professor of Anthropology, University of Sydney.
BEASLEY, F. R., Professor of Law, University of Western Australia.
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