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To: VLBA Data Acquisition/Recorder Group

- From: Alan E.E. Rogers
- Subject: Minutes of VLBA Data Acquisition/Recorder Group Meeting held 19 March 1986 at 1300 EST
- Attendees: Ray Escoffier - NRAO Jon Romney - NRAO Craig Walker - Hat Creek Larry D'Addario - NRAO - NRAO Hein Hvatum John Webber - Haystack Hans Hinteregger- Haystack Bill Petrachenko- Haystack Alan Rogers - Haystack Joe Salah - Haystack

Honeywell Transport

It was agreed that Haystack should prepare the specifications for the Honeywell transport so that the VLBA project can try to negotiate a price and delivery schedule with Honeywell. The process specifications will be prepared for discussion at the May Design Review Meeting.

Fabrication Schedule

After some discussion it was agreed that owing to the stretched out VIBA schedule, it would be advantageous to consider undertaking the fabrication of VLBA data acquisition systems for other observatories concurrently with the VLBA units. Haystack agreed that it would be best for NRAO to take the initiative and seek funding from observatories wanting VLBA DAS units. Since various observatories may have different requirements (like complete MKIII compatibility - requiring 14 baseband converters, no need for dual recorders, etc.) it was agreed that we should find out more about these requirements.