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To the Editor:

In reference to the Note published in THE JOURNAL (**32** (1964) 444-445) on the Technical Reports of the Rio Congress, I wish to emphasize that the English version of the report of the Panel on Epidemiology and Control published by COCIL, and reproduced by *Leprosy Review* (**35** (1964) 17-33), is the complete report edited by the Committee and accepted by the final plenary session.

This report differs in a very few minor points from the mimeographed English report submitted for approval at the final plenary session. The reason for these differences is that a few modifications, dealing mostly with English syntax, had been made after the report was mimeographed and before it had been submitted to the final session. When reading the report at the plenary session, the Chairman of the Panel notified those present of these changes.

The report published by Leprosy in India (**36** (1964) 132-147) is the mimeographed report distributed at the final session, without the few editorial changes made at the last minute by the Panel. I wish to apologize to the Editor of Leprosy in India for not having sent the text with these minor corrections to that Journal.

The Report on Epidemiology and Control published by the INTER-NATIONAL JOURNAL OF LEPROSY is a much reduced version of the original text, prepared by the Chairman of the Panel at the request of the Editor of THE JOURNAL.

No translations whatever of the Report have been edited. During the meeting of the Panel on Epidemiology and Control, three subcommittees were appointed to edit translations respectively in French, Portuguese and Spanish. Although COCIL had been requested to transmit the draft of the proposed translations to the Chairman of each of these subcommittees, this has not been done, so far as I know. Therefore, I believe that no one of the translations should be considered final and official.

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