



PERSONNEL ACTIONS  
AND ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES

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The LBL Computer Center has grown in the past 20 years to the point where it is one of the largest and best computer centers in the country and even in the world. Jim Baker has directed its operation for most of that time.

However, just as we rotate positions of leadership on the level of the Director and Associate Directors, so do we often rotate group leaders' positions. Within that context I have asked Bob Harvey to assume the responsibilities of Computer Center Director starting immediately. Bob has requested and I have agreed that Dave Stevens be his assistant. The Computer Center will include Operations, Users' Services, Systems, and Technical Development.

To allow the Computer Science Program to have the necessary identity and representation, I am setting up this established discipline as a separate research group with Carl Quong as its head. This group which will include Computer Science Research and Applications, Real Time Systems, and Mathematics Research, will provide a stronger base to support the laboratory's research programs.

Both Harvey and Quong will report directly to me as do the other group leaders in Physics, Computer Science, and Mathematics Division. These new appointments will be for an initial two-year period. I look forward to the same kind of close cooperation and interchange of ideas between these two groups as there always has been. I know that Bob and Carl will assure that the various functions of these groups that have provided valuable services to the laboratory and outside community in the past will continue to do so in the future.

Jim Baker will still provide me with valuable advice on hardware and software systems and in the planning for future acquisitions and will act as an assistant to me in my position on the Statewide University Computer Policy Board.

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