

F I R E B R I G A D E N E W S

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At the 1979 Radical Statistics annual meeting, our longstanding commitment to attempt to put whatever resources we have available in the service of exploited/oppressed and radical/socialist groups was reaffirmed, with due acknowledgement of the dangers that may arise concerning the reproduction of pernicious aspects of the technical division of labour, the status of experts, etc.

Last year's attempt to set up a register of RSG members to whom enquiries could be referred didn't really get off the ground, although we have now put together a number of completed forms like the one below - thanks to all those who filled them in. This year John Irvine and Ian Miles, who are already engaged in setting up a 'data bank' (reported elsewhere in this Newsletter), have offered to co-ordinate the Firebrigade, to try and organise a clearing-house of 'requests and referrals'.

What Radical Statistics members (and friends) can do:

Please fill in the form below even if you filled in the similar form last year !

Please provide any additional information that may prove helpful in working out what resources we can mobilise.

Please suggest what groups we should go about contacting by means of a circular letter and help us with suggestions about how we should go about presenting the Radical Statistics Group and the Firebrigade.

Response to previous questionnaire:

18 completed forms; 9 offers on surveys, 7 education, 6 health, 4 computing, O.R., 3 environment, labour, SIs, 2 O.R., biometrics, 1 each crime, market, psychometrics, and offers on demography, planning and geography.

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CUT THIS OUT AND SEND IT TO : I. MILES, SCIENCE POLICY RESEARCH UNIT,
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Please check areas where you may be able to help:

BIOMETRICS	ENVIRONMENT	PSYCHOMETRICS	<u>OTHERS</u>
COMPUTING	HEALTH	SOCIAL INDICATORS	(please indicate)
CRIME/LAW	LABOUR/LABOUR PROCESS	STATE STATISTICAL SERVICES	
ECONOMICS/ECONOMETRICS	MARKET RESEARCH	STATISTICAL TECHNIQUES	
EDUCATION	O.R/COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS	SURVEY RESEARCH	