The correct parameters of the thermal ellipsoid of the O(4) atom are given below. ( $U_i$  is the root-mean-square displacement corresponding to the i axis of the ellipsoid. Cia, Cib and  $Cic^*$  are the direction cosines of the i axis with respect to the crystal axes a, b and  $c^*$ .)

	Axis i	$U_{l}\left( \mathbf{\dot{A}}\right)$	Cia	Cib	Cic*
O(4)	1	0.168	0.8797	-0.3984	0.2595
• •	2	0.212	0.4285	0.9008	-0.0698
	3	0.285	-0.2060	0.1726	0.9632

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Volumes 42A and 41B of Structure Reports have recently been published. Volume 42A, covering the literature for metals and inorganic compounds for 1976 (viii + 492 pages), costs 127.50 Netherlands guilders for subscribers with standing orders. The full price for individual copies is 150 guilders but personal subscribers may buy a copy for their own use at 75 guilders.

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### Notes and News

#### **Radiation Safety**

NBS Handbook 111, entitled Radiation Safety for X-ray Diffraction and Fluorescence Analysis Equipment, has been revised and approved by the American National Standards Institute. It can be obtained from the US Government Printing Office, Washington DC 20402, USA, at a price of \$1.00. The publication number is 003-003-01917-8.

# Co-operation Scheme for Crystallographers in Developing Countries

The European Crystallographic Committee have received a request from Dr B. N. Mehrotra, of the University of Science of Malaysia, asking if anyone could help their laboratory by donating a heating attachment for use with powder and/or single-crystal cameras. If anyone has such equipment to spare or could offer to take the necessary measurements could they please get in touch with Professor D. Feil, Chemical Physics Laboratory, Twente University of Technology, PO Box 217, Enschede, The Netherlands, who acts as co-ordinator of the scheme.