

Plans Launched for Establishing MRS Washington, DC Office

Several Materials Research Society volunteers from the Washington, DC area met on the morning of January 24 to discuss implementing an MRS Office of Public Affairs. This site inspection and planning meeting was held at the new MRS office's location in the American Geophysical Union Building at 2000 Florida Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20009. It occupies space in the American Institute of Physics complex where the AIP Government Liaison, *Physics Today*, and Education Division offices are also located.

The meeting began the process of implementing a motion proposed to MRS Council by the External Affairs Committee to establish a Washington presence for the

Society. The motion was approved at the 1989 MRS Fall Meeting last December in Boston. The office will enable more effective communications between the Society and congressional offices, federal agencies and other private Washington-based technical organizations concerned with materials research activities, legislation and policies.

"We look forward to better facilitating a flow of information to members about key activities that influence the future and fortunes of materials science and engineering," said Elton N. Kaufmann, chairman of the Subcommittee on Public Affairs of the MRS External Affairs Committee. "As we have often been advised, being close to the

hub of such activities is indispensable to rapid and responsive reporting on developments. We will primarily use the pages of the *MRS Bulletin* to inform the membership," continued Kaufmann, who is also chairman of the Editorial Boards for the *MRS Bulletin*.

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