EVACUATION DRILL IN LABORATORY

A. BEFORE THE DRILL

- 1. Directory sign should be shown near the doors. A map showing the evacuation route should be distributed to students.
- 2. Doors should be unbolted when teachers have lessons in the laboratory.
- 3. Teachers should instruct the following procedures of the drill to students. *Procedures* are:
 - a. The teacher will give a signal to start the drill when the teacher starts the stopwatch.
 - b. Students should not carry any personal belongings such as books with them during the drill.
 - c. Students sitting near the working electrical switches and gas taps should try to switch them off.
 - d. At the same time, students should leave the laboratory at doors nearer to them or doors further away from the accident and run to the down stairs (if impractical, to a safe place) with the help of the directory sign immediately.
 - e. The last one who leaves the laboratory should close the door.
 - f. After evacuation, students should stay at the down stairs of the same floor.

 (In case of accident, students should go to the playground as quickly as possible.)
- 4. Teachers should lead the students to the down stairs once beforehand.
- 5. No roll call and lining up in an orderly manner are needed.
- 6. Teachers should not give any prior notice to students.

B. DURING THE DRILL

- 1. Teachers should
 - a. start the stopwatch and give a signal to the students simultaneously;
 - b. inform the laboratory technician the cause of accident;
 - c. supervise the whole drill;
 - d. be the last one to leave the laboratory and
 - e. stop the stopwatch when all persons are out of the laboratory.
- 2. Laboratory technicians should
 - a. switch off the main power and gas supplies after being informed and
 - b. assist the teacher to evacuate the pupils from the laboratory to a safe place as soon as possible.

C. AFTER THE DRILL

Teachers should

- a. record the evacuation time on the laboratory safety record book at the preparation room and
- b. report any problems to the laboratory safety coordinator.