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Mr. Bowman opened the meeting and asked Dr. deTreville to conduct the session on Asbestos. Dr. deTreville, who had asked several of those present to be prepared to discuss their areas of special interest and research needs, first called on Dr. George W. Wright to report briefly on his activities of the past year in behalf of the Quebec Asbestos Mining Association (QAMA).

Dr. Wright said that he had been aware of industry's interest in asbestos since about 1940, as a result of his work at Saranac Laboratory for QAMA. At that time no question was raised concerning possible malignancy. At a meeting in Antigua in 1965, QAMA expressed its intention to learn, "What is known, what we need to know, and what is unknown" concerning the bioeffects of asbestos.

Concerning what is known, Dr. Wright listed the following scientists who were present in Antigua:

Dr. John Beattie
Cambridge, England

Dr. H. Bohlig
Ludenscheid, W. Germany

Dr. Paul Cartier
Thetford Mines, Quebec

Dr. A. Claass
Luxembourg, Belgium

Dr. L. J. Cralley
Cincinnati, Ohio

Dr. A. J. deVilliers
Ottawa, Ontario

Dr. John C. Gilson
Penarth, Glamorgan, Wales

Dr. Roger Grainger
Asbestos, Quebec

Dr. Fernand Gregoire
Montreal, Quebec

Dr. Paul Gross
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dr. Roland Guy
Cartierville, Quebec

Prof. A. Houberechts
Hasselt, Belgium