



Prof. John N Warfield  
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Dear Professor Warfield

I won't be answering the questionnaire circulated by Pergamon because I would have to say some things that you would rightly take to constitute a breach of loyalty to you. Therefore let me tell you what my reaction to the questionnaire is.

1. I am disappointed by the quality of SR. I believe it is below most of the journals listed in point 2.1 of the questionnaire.
2. I suspect that this only reflects the general decline of systems research over the last decade. The field has been taken over by too many generalists with little specific knowledge, as well as by people who believe that a single theory will solve every possible particular problem in any field.
3. I have no time to help you try and raise the level of the journal: I am teaching a full load, advising three graduate students, attending conferences, writing a number of commissioned papers, and trying to finish Vol. 8 of my Treatise on Basic Philosophy.
4. Since I have been totally useless to SR, and won't be of any use to it in the future, I hereby tender you my resignation as a member of the Advisory Editorial Board.

With best wishes for a refurbishing of your AEB and an improvement of the journal, I remain

Sincerely yours



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