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## STANDARDIZATION OF THE METRIC SYSTEM

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### Introduction

The National Bureau of Standards is pleased to announce the publication of this report on the standardization of the metric system. The report is the result of a study conducted by the Bureau in cooperation with the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) and the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics (IUPAP). The study was directed by the Director of the Bureau, and the report was prepared by the Metric System Committee of the Bureau. The report is a comprehensive study of the metric system, its history, and its use in the United States. It discusses the advantages of the metric system and the steps that should be taken to bring the United States into line with the rest of the world. The report is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the metric system and its standardization.