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AN ENGLISH NUCLEAR REACTOR CONTROL DESK,

by Philips, c.1950, removed from A.E.R.E (Atomic Energy Research Establishment) or "Atomic Town", Harwell, Oxford.

the sheet steel knee-hole console desk centred with a writing slope flanked by a pair of large control dials, the up-stand with an array of dials, gauges, switches buttons and lights with diverse labels - some printed, some handwritten such as "Radiation Monitor", "Tube Penning", "Kinney Pump",

DIMENSIONS: 142cm (56") High, 121cm (47³/₄") Wide, 58cm (22³/₄") Deep

PRICE: £1,100

STOCK CODE: 48879



HISTORY

Please note: As with all electrical goods this Control Desk is sold on the basis of its decorative value only and must be installed and checked by a qualified electrician before use.

Research continues as to the precise origin of this Philips desk at Harwell – likely to have been used for “Hermes”

or “Dido” or one of the other research reactors built in this groundbreaking Oxfordshire Science park. The unit was salvaged by a Physics Professor on one of the rounds of reactor de-commissioning and dis-assembly in the 1980’s – it remained at home in his milking parlour.