

# IFIP

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

18 – 19 March 1976

Dresden / GDR

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- Mr. D. Chevion : IFIP / IJCPR Liaison Officer

NEW TECHNICAL COMMITTEES:

- TC 9: (Relationship between Computers and Society) was formally approved.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

- Congress Organization Committee has organized an outline and schedule for the IFIP Congress Guidelines Manual".
- Publications Committee has produces the "IFIP Publications Policy".

IFIP CONGRESS 77

- August 8 - 12, 1977: Toronto, Canada
- Call for Papers available
- Registration dates amended:
 

Early registration	(prior to Sept. 15, 1976)	-	\$ 110.
Pre-registration	(prior to April 15, 1977)	-	\$ 110.
Registration	(after April 15, 1977)	-	\$ 145.

MEDINFO 77

- August 8 - 12, 1977: Toronto, Canada
- Preliminary Invitations, including Call for Papers, available.
- Registration dates
 

Advance registration	(prior to April 30, 1977)	-	\$ 130.
Full registration		-	\$ 155.

IFIP MAJOR EUROPEAN CONFERENCE:

- tentatively scheduled to take place in 1979

IFIP INFORMATION BULLETIN NO: 10

- will be issued end-May 1976.

FUTURE COUNCIL MEETINGS:

1977	Early Spring	London, Great Britain
1978	Spring	India (subject to confirmation)
	August	Toronto, Canada

## COUNCIL MEETING

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ATTENDANCECOUNCIL Members Present

R.I. Tanaka	President
J.M. Bennett	Vice-President
L. Iliev	Vice-President
P. Renard	Vice-President
H. Keilhau	Secretary
J. Tuori	Treasurer
G.N. Boyd	Trustee
D. Chevion	Trustee
A. A. Dorodnicyn	Trustee
R. Narasimhan	Trustee

COUNCIL Members Absent

P.A. Bobillier	Trustee
A.S. Douglas	Trustee

Invitees Present

J.H. Finch	Congress 77 OC Chairman
N.J. Lehmann	Host and GA Member
J. Roukens	TC 4 Chairman / MEDINFO 77
W.M. Turski	Congress 77 PC Chairman
H. Zemanek	Past President / PC Chairman

Observers

G.A. Fisher	ECI Representative
R. Kalman	UNESCO Observer

In Attendance

Mrs. Baskakowa	Secretary to A. A. Dorodnicyn
Mr. Doumkov	Assistant to L. Iliev
Miss G. Roberts	IFIP Administrative Secretary
Mrs. Schmiedel	Meeting Secretary

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The President opened the Council meeting and welcomed all participants. He expressed his pleasure in having the presence of an observer from UNESCO, Mr. Kalman, and advised that Mr. Fisher, the ECI representative, would be joining the Meeting later. He announced that apologies had been received from Messrs. Bobillier and Douglas who were unable to attend.

The President conveyed his appreciation to Mr. Lehmann and his colleagues, Messrs. Bormann and Göhler, for the excellent arrangements and impressive hospitality, and introduced Mrs. Schmiedel (Meeting Secretary).

Mr. Lehmann announced his great pleasure and honour in welcoming the IFIP Council to Dresden on behalf of the Hosts, The Academy of Sciences of the German Democratic Republic and The Technical University of Dresden, and stated that IFIP's worldwide cooperation was in the interests of the entire computer community.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council unanimously APPROVED the Agenda with slight modifications following the Executive Body Meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (C2 Rio 75)

Council unanimously APPROVED the Minutes.

4. EXECUTIVE BODY REPORTS

4.1 Report of the President

The President announced that the Executive Body had worked very hard during its morning session and felt that the Council Meeting would benefit from some of the prior preparation.

The President said that he, together with Messrs. Bennett and Renard, and possibly Mr. Douglas, would be meeting with personnel from UNESCO in Paris the following week – the two principal reasons being: to initiate discussions on a regular basis to enhance liaison between UNESCO and IFIP without commitments on either side, and to discuss UNESCO's support of SEARCC (South East Asian Regional Computer Conference).

Action:  
President

The President confirmed that Council would be informed on the outcome of the meeting.

The President said that the remainder of his report would be included with the Agenda topics as they arose.

4.2 Report of the Secretary

4.2.1 Secretariat

Mr. Keilhau pointed out that his geographic separation from the Secretariat had created no unsolvable problems and that things were running smoothly.

4.2.2 Standing Orders

Action:  
Sec't

Mr. Keilhau advised that the Standing Orders had been revised, taking into account the Rio amendments, and would be printed and distributed to GA Members, TC, WG and Committee Chairmen during the course of April.

#### 4.2.3 IFIP Summary

Action:  
Sec't Adv.  
Secretary  
Sec't

The IFIP Summary will be published in revised form following the Tashkent General Assembly so that new TC's and WG's approved at that time can be included. The Summary will be divided into two sections: the first part containing the more or less static information (which would be updated before each Congress) and the second part containing names, assignments and lists which are changing (which would be updated annually).

#### 4.2.4 IFIP Information Bulletin No: 10

Mr. Keilhau reported that the preparation of Information Bulletin No: 10 was underway and would probably be available end-May.

#### 4.2.5 IFIP Stationery / Secretariat Cable Address

Action:  
All

Mr. Keilhau requested that people use the current IFIP stationery (obtainable from the Secretariat), as opposed to outdated letterheads, to avoid confusion. He also pointed out that it was more economical to utilize the Secretariat's telegraphic address when cable contacting (IFIPSEC GENEVA).

#### 4.3 Report of the Treasurer

Mr. Tuori presented his reports (C1 Dresden 76/Treas.- 1 to 7) and indicated they had been prepared using similar format as in previous reports.

Mr. Tuori pointed out that Treas.- 1 (Statement of Receipts and Expenditures Fiscal 1975) and Treas.-2 (Auditor's Report covering Fiscal 1975) were self-explanatory.

He drew attention to Treas.- 3 (1975 Income/Expense vs Budget) which more broadly described the financial situation. Mr. Tuori pointed out that the main part of Congress 74 surplus (SFr. 225,720) was included in the total income (SFr. 447,627.80) whereas, in the official accounts (Treas.-1), this had been shown on the balance sheet, not under receipts, for fiscal purposes. He observed that approximately SFr. 10,000 unbudgeted Dues income had been received and the Royalties income (SFr. 68,713.50) was considerably higher than anticipated. He underlined the importance of these sources of income. Mr. Tuori explained that interest was lower than budgeted for two reasons: certain interest had only been paid on 7 January 1976 and was, consequently, not included in the 1975 accounts; the interest rate had dropped by 2 % compared to the previous year. As to expenditures, Mr. Tuori said they were under control. The Secretariat had saved approximately SFr. 10,000 and the TC's were currently using less than budgeted. He mentioned that the MEDINFO 74 SFr. 6,000 expense, had not been separately budgeted, but was covered in the overall allocation to other Committees.

Action:  
Treas.  
Sec't

Mr. Tuori referred to Treas.-4 (Member Dues Situation as at 5 March 1975 in respect of 1976 Dues) and said that the responses were promising – 50 % to-date. With regard to the Back Dues Situation (refer Treas.-5), Mr. Tuori said this was becoming minimal, but further follow-up action would be taken.

Concerning the Cumulative Record of Loans and Grants (refer Treas.-6) Mr. Tuori felt there were no loans in jeopardy, with the exception, perhaps, of the loan to IAG. He added that the WCCE loan of SFr. 25,000 would be returned shortly.

Mr. Tuori indicated that Treas.-7 (Financial Summary updated to 31 December 1975) summarized IFIP's financial history, and that the 1975 net worth level compared favourably with that of 1970.

Council unanimously NOTED the Treas.- 1 to 7 reports.

Action:  
PC

Mr. Tuori added that the Royalties report was missing, but this would be presented at the Tashkent General Assembly by the Publications Committee.

The President stated that Mr. Tuori would probably be giving a less optimistic report in October, due to the loans to be paid out during the course of the year to Congress 77 and MEDINFO 77.

#### 4.4 Other Subjects Selected during the Executive Body Meeting

The President advised that these had been included as additions to the Agenda.

#### 5. TECHNICAL COMMITTEES, IAG

##### 5.1 TC 2 (Programming) TC 6 (Data Communication)

TC 2: Mr. Bennett referred to his report (C1 Dresden 76/ TC 2-1) and confirmed that Mr. Steel's terms as TC 2 Chairman had expired. Mr. Paul had been recommended by TC 2 to take over this function, subject to formal agreement from Council. Mr. Bennett proposed that Mr. Steel be thanked formally for the excellent services he had rendered during his Chairmanship.

Action:  
President

Council unanimously APPROVED the appointment of Mr. Paul as TC 2 Chairman and unanimously REQUESTED the President to write a letter of recognition to Mr. Steel.

Mr. Bennett advised that Miss Gallitano had been appointed as Secretary for TC 2, and Mr. Hertweck had been invited to act as Chairman of the newly-formed WG 2.7 (Command Languages). He added that a successor to Mr. Woodger as Chairman of WG 2.3 had been proposed, but definite information was not yet available.

Mr. Bennett confirmed that the TC 2 Meeting in Freudenstadt, FRG at the beginning of January and the TC 2 WC on "Modelling in Data Base Management Systems" had been successful, and drew attention to an important WG 2.2 Meeting to be held in Tampere, Finland from 23-27 August 1976 on "Interfering Processes: Cooperating / Competing".

Action:  
TC 2 Cog. V-P

Mr. Dorodnicyn pointed out that the U.S.S.R. had members in the various TC 2 WG's, but information concerning Meetings, etc. was often received too late to allow for participation. He requested Mr. Bennett to inform the new TC 2 Chairman to provide earlier notice. Mr. Bennett promised to convey this message to Mr. Paul.

Action:  
President

Council unanimously APPROVED the appointment of Mr. Pouzin as TC 6 Chairman and unanimously CONFIRMED that the President should convey its appreciation to Mr. Uncapher for his extraordinary contribution as Ad Hoc Chairman of TC 6.

Action:  
President

Mr. Bennett announced that the TC 6 Study for UNESCO had been completed. He added that the excellent 81-page document was the work of Messrs. Karlander, Sem-Sandberg and Uncapher and proposed that the President convey the thanks of Council to the TC 6 Chairman, and through him, to those of his colleagues who made the UNESCO report possible.

Council unanimously CONCURRED.

Mr. Bennett felt IFIP should urge publication of this report. To Mr. Renard's query regarding copyright restrictions. Mr. Kalman replied that normal copyright rules applied to Studies, but UNESCO publications were available to anyone. The President said that as the task had been undertaken by TC 6, as part of IFIP, he felt copies of the Study should be sent to all GA Members.

Action:  
TC 6 Cog. V-P

Mr. Bennett agreed to check with the TC 6 Chairman on this point, and the President confirmed that IFIP would cover the costs involved.



Mr. Bennett advised that the TC 6 Network Seminar to be held in Sydney end-August 1976 was proceeding satisfactorily, and \$A 5,000 had been contributed by the Australian Computer Society towards the travelling expenses of the TC 6 speakers. He added that the TC 6 Chairman and several of the speakers would also be speaking at the 7<sup>th</sup> Australian Computer Conference the following week and at SEARCC the week after.

Mr. Bennett completed his report by indicating that future Seminars arranged by TC 6 on invitation of National Societies would likely still be held in conjunction with National Society Conferences, but as a separate entity to avoid competition in attendance.

- 5.2 TC 3 (Education)  
TC 4 (Information Processing in Medicine)  
TC 5 (Computer Applications in Technology)

Action:  
Cog. Officers

TC 3: Mr. Iliev presented his report (C1 Dresden 76/TC 3-1), noting no major TC 3 activities since the Rio General Assembly Meeting. He pointed out that a TC 3 Meeting was concurrently scheduled for Geneva and that this coincidence with the Council Meeting prevented his participation. As a result, any decisions taken would not be available until after Council. The President requested the Cognizant Officers to advise the TC Chairmen to avoid scheduling TC Meetings in conflict (location or time) with Council and / or General Assembly Meetings.

Action:  
TC 3 Ch.

Mr. Iliev pointed out that although the Chairmen of WG's 3.1 and 3.2 had completed their two three-year terms, TC 3 has suggested continuing them in office. The President noted that the IFIP Bylaws were specific on the issue of tenure. He proposed that Council approve the continuation of the WG 3.1 and WG 3.2 Chairmen until the next TC 3 Meeting, at which time replacements must be nominated.

Council unanimously ADOPTED this proposal.

Mr. Iliev drew Council's attention to document C1 Dresden 76/TC 3-WG 3.2 submitted by Mr. Buckingham, outlining the preparatory work for the combined TC 3/TC 8/IAG WC on "Educational Requirements of Large Information Systems".

TC 4: Mr. Iliev referred to his report (C1 Dresden 76/TC 4-1) and announced that TC 4 had held a Meeting in Amsterdam at the end of October 1975 in conjunction with the WC on "Information System for Patient Care". He added that a one-day session on Medical Informatics took place during the November 1975 Baghdad Conference on "National Planning for Informatics in Developing Countries". He understood that both these Conferences had been successful and reports would be forthcoming.

Mr. Iliev explained that the report from the Review Committee for TC 4 had been delayed due to some problems with the outside expert. However, Mr. Grabner of Austria had kindly agreed to fulfil this function and, as soon as his comments had been taken into consideration, the report would be distributed. Mr. Renard pointed out that Review Committee reports are normally distributed only to Executive Body Members.

Mr. Iliev reported that MEDINFO 77 – being a separate Agenda point – would be reported on by Mr. Roukens.

TC 5: Mr. Iliev presented his report (C1 Dresden 76/TC 5-1) and indicated that TC 5's major event for this year would be PORLAMAT 76, organized by IFAC/IFIP, to take place in Scotland mid-June.

Mr. Iliev pointed out that Mr. Williams' second term as TC 5 Chairman would expire at the end of 1976, but TC 5 wished him to remain as Acting Chairman up to the Toronto General Assembly Meeting at which time it is proposed that Mr. Vlietstra take over (Mr. Vlietstra has just finished the EG 5.2 Chairmanship).

Action:  
TC 5 Ch.

The President proposed that Council approve Mr. Williams continuing as Acting Chairman of TC 5 after the expiration of his term of service and that Mr. Vlietstra be appointed TC 5 Chairman at the Toronto General Assembly Meeting.

Council unanimously APPROVED the proposal.

Mr. Iliev referred to the combined TC 5 / TC 9 WC on "Socio-Technical Aspects of Automation" scheduled for May 1977 in Varna, Bulgaria and said that the organizers were presuming there would be a grant from IFIP, but the question was rather unclear.

Action:  
TC 5 Cog. V-P  
TC 9 Cog. V-P

The President requested the respective Cognizant Vice-Presidents, Messrs. Iliev and Bennett, to follow up on this matter and, if needed, arrange for a grant request to be put forward at the Tashkent General Assembly where a decision could be taken.

### 5.3 TC 7 (System Modelling and Optimization)

Mr. Renard advised that there had been no major TC 7 activities since the Rio General Assembly Meeting with the exception of a WC on "Computer Methods in Science and Engineering" organized with IRIA in France during December 1975.

Mr. Renard said, as had been requested, he wished to give more detailed information on matters brought up in Rio.

The TC 7 Conference on "Optimization Techniques" planned for 1977 would be held in Wurzburg, FRG from 5-10 September. Mr. Stoer had been named as Conference Chairman and had recommended Springer-Verlag as the Proceedings Publisher. Mr. Renard added that the 1979 "Optimization Techniques" Conference was proposed to be held in India, probably at Hyderabad.

Mr. Renard requested Council to confirm approval of these two Conferences.

Action:  
TC 5 Cog. V-P

Mr. Dorodnicyn queried the scheduling of the 77 Conference's nearness to Congress 77 in view of the fact that Optimization Techniques would be a Congress topic. After discussion, the President suggested that Mr. Balakrishnan be advised to try to re-schedule the Conference; Mr. Keilhau proposed a three-month time separation from the Congress.

Council unanimously VOTED in favour of the proposals.

Action:  
Treas.

Regarding the 3<sup>rd</sup> WC on "Modelling and Simulation of Water Resource Systems" planned for September 1977 in Ghent, Belgium, Mr. Vansteekiste is the Chairman and North-Holland will be the publisher. Mr. Renard indicated that supplemental information would be provided shortly to the President; however, a decision should be taken regarding the Rio-requested grant of SFr. 6,500, and he felt half this amount would be reasonable. The President proposed that a grant of SFr. 3,250 be accorded for this Conference.

Council unanimously ACCEPTED this proposal.

Mr. Dorodnicyn expressed his concern at the number of Working Groups in TC 7.

### 5.4 TC 8 (Information Systems)

Mr. Boyd presented Mr. Langefors' report (C1 Dresden 76/TC 8-1) and his own review, (C1 Dresden 76/TC 8-2).

Mr. Boyd indicated that TC 8 now had 15 members, the latest representing Switzerland. At its Meeting in Amsterdam, mid-November 1975, the titles and scopes of WG 8.1 and WG 8.2 had been revised and Mr. Boyd submitted them for Council review.

Mr. Boyd also noted the proposal to nominate Mr. H.J. Schneider as WG 8.1 Chairman (Mr. Verrijn-Stuart is provisionally Chairing the WG) and that Mr. H. Lucas had been appointed Chairman of WG 8.2.

Mr. Boyd requested approval of these WG's and appointments.

Action:  
TC 8

After discussion, including comments on changes in orientation, the possible overlapping of the WG's and the need to avoid abbreviations, such as I.S. (for Information Systems) in the title of WG 8.2, Mr. Keilhau proposed that Council note the reports and request TC 8 to make specific (and revised) WG proposals to the next General Assembly. The President added that this information should be handed over to the Activity Planning Committee well in advance of the General Assembly.

Council AGREED to the proposal.

Action:  
TC 8

Mr. Renard asked if it would be possible for TC 8 to present the name of its Chairman to the next General Assembly, to which Mr. Boyd replied that this issue would probably be decided at TC 8's September 4 Meeting in Amsterdam.

Mr. Boyd also referred to the combined TC 3 / TC 8 / IAG WC scheduled for November 1976, for which a grant had been accorded to TC 3 in Rio, and said TC 8 is under the assumption that its expenses had also been included in the grant.

## 5.5 IAG

The President reported that the IAG Board had held a Meeting the Friday before Council, but no report had been yet prepared. He added that there were indications within IAG of the possibility of a significant financial loss for the current year. In view of this, the President said he had appointed a Task Committee\* (Mr. Bobillier, Chairman; Messrs. Renard and Sem-Sandberg) to investigate and report immediately on the situation. Mr. Chevion proposed including Mr. McQuaker on the Committee and the President agreed.

\* Subsequently, the Committee was designated as reporting to the IFIP Foundation.

Upon being queried, the President replied that the expenses were generally under control, but that the income was estimated to be lower, partially due to the decreasing number of Partners and decreased income from activities. The President pointed out that IFIP has guaranteed Dutch Guilders 55,000 to IFIP Foundation, and IFIP would probably have to bear any additional IAG deficit.

The President confirmed that upon receipt of the Task Committee's findings, an IFIP Foundation Meeting would be scheduled if needed.

Mr. Turski underlined the importance of the services of the IFIP Foundation for the Congress 77 Programme Committee and said it was absolutely vital that the Foundation be allowed to continue its work despite any IAG problems.

The President said he would keep a close watch on the matter.

## 5.6 New TC's and SIG's

### TC 9 (Relationship between Computers and Society)

Mr. Bennett presented Mr. Gotlieb's report (C1 Dresden 76/ TC 9-1) and said TC 9 had held a Meeting mid-February in Amsterdam with 18 participants. Mr. Zemanek remarked that the participation of Mr. Voysey (a member of the computer press) was an important factor, in terms of enhancing interest in this TC.

Mr. Bennett drew attention to the modified Aims and Scope of TC 9 following the Rio General Assembly Meeting and requested Council's comments. The President felt there was no basic change in the intent and meaning, but a significant improvement in the wording. Mr. Dorodnicyn said the direction remained the same, but the expression was more realistic, and Mr. Chevion pointed out the importance of the re-wording of the Scope. After discussion, in which the President indicated that the activities of TC 9 would probably continue to be a healthy source of controversy through the years, he asked Council to vote approval of the modified Aims and Scope. (refer Appendix 1)

Council VOTED in favour, with one abstention.

Mr. Bennett referred Council to the tentative guidelines which had been given for the establishment of WG 9.1 "Computers and Work" and WG 9.3 "Social Accountability". He stated that the Scope of WG 9.2 "Information Systems and the Citizen" was still being worked out. He added that TC 9 felt Working Groups should have a three-year lifetime.

Action:  
Council Members

Mr. Bennett requested Council Members to communicate directly with the TC 9 Chairman regarding the proposed WG's and pointed out possible overlap with the work of TC 5. The President stated that the APC and TC 5 Chairmen should be advised of the finally-intended Scopes of the WG's well ahead of their being presented to the next General Assembly.

Action:  
TC 8

Mr. Keilhau felt that in the establishment of the WG's, the highest priority should be given to WG 9.3 as being the most opportune.

Mr. Bennett mentioned that the plans for a TC 9 Newsletter were well underway and the IFIP Foundation facilities would be used for the printing and mailing. He added that preliminary discussions had taken place between TC 9 and the IFAC Committee on the Social Effects of Automation with a view to merging their respective Newsletters and some formalities for the division of costs would have to be worked out. Upon requesting Council's opinion, the President replied that this idea should be encouraged.

## 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 6.1 Activity Planning Committee

Action:  
APC Ch.

Mr. Renard presented his report (C1 Dresden 76/ APC -1) and said he felt it was more appropriate to hold the standard APC Meeting just prior to the General Assembly rather than as a separate Meeting in the Spring, because of the difficulty in getting full attendance. The President stated he would, nevertheless, like to see the APC's summary of TC requests at each Spring Council Meeting and urged the APC to insist upon the TC Chairmen submitting their plans according to the agreed schedule.

As to the review activity, Mr. Renard indicated that TC 6 and TC 7 reviews would be initiated on the authority of the respective Cognizant Vice-Presidents. With regard to the completed review activity, Mr. Renard felt certain criteria should be considered: has there been positive output; what has been the change in a TC since its review, etc. The President summed it up as a review of the review process.

Action:  
APC Ch.

Mr. Dorodnicyn said he was concerned about Working Groups as he felt some of them were not very International. Mr. Renard promised this question would be discussed at the next APC Meeting.

Mr. Renard advised that the Task Group on Computer Architecture, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Piloty, had held a meeting in February. A report will be available shortly and will probably recommend the establishment of either a TC or a WG. He added that this Group had to decide if Computer Architecture is important from an International and an IFIP point of view.

Action:  
Sec't

Mr. Renard concluded by referring to the 6-Year Plan, the latest version of which had been distributed at the Rio General Assembly. Since the procedure was now established and information relating to future activities usually in the hands of the Secretariat, he suggested that the Secretariat be charged with the responsibility of updating this document for APC and General Assembly Meetings.

Mr. Keilhau and Miss Roberts agreed.

### 6.2 Admissions Committee

Mr. Narasimhan presented his report (C1 Dresden 76/AC-1) and said that except for some preliminary inquiries from prospective applicants and continuing correspondence with pending applicants, there were no specific action items.

Action:  
AC Ch.

As to Mexico, Mr. Narasimhan explained that prospective membership was still pending. The President advised Mr. Narasimhan to inform SMCE of Council's positive views regarding admission, and to suggest that SMCE send an observer to the Tashkent General Assembly. Mr. Narasimhan said he would ask SMCE to send its prospective IFIP delegate to Tashkent and to commence making ad hoc appointments to the various Technical Committees.

Action:  
AC Ch.

Mr. Narasimhan drew attention to the lack of news from Ireland despite the President's recent letter to them. The President said that Mr. Narasimhan should invite Ireland to send a representative to Tashkent.

Action:  
Secretary

Mr. Renard referred to Ghana and Chile which are in arrears with their Dues and asked if some action should be taken. The President replied that the Secretary should prepare some specifics if IFIP does not shortly hear from these two countries.

### 6.3 Congress Organization Committee

Action:  
COC Ch.

The President presented Mr. Koory's report (C1 Dresden 76/COC-1) and advised that the COC had met for a two-day working session in Amsterdam mid-February 1976. The Committee has organized an outline and schedule for the IFIP Congress Guidelines Manual and the President indicated that a draft would be presented to Council at its Spring 1977 Meeting in an attempt to produce a final draft for presentation to the Toronto General Assembly.

Mr. Turski mentioned he had attended the COC Meeting during the session relating to Programme Committee matters. He was impressed by the seriousness of COC's approach, the enormous task it had in preparing the Manual, and stressed the usefulness of the Manual for future Congress Programme and Organizing Committees.

Mr. Chevion said he would like to see some statistical data on past Congresses in the proposed Manual. The President remarked that Mr. Koory was in possession of the IFIP Past History Report which had been prepared previously by Mr. Zemanek and his staff and might be able to incorporate some of this data.

Action:  
President

The President said that the Congress Organization Committee felt that its name causes confusion and had asked for name-change suggestions. After discussion, Council proposed that the President suggest to Mr. Koory that COC amend its name to "Congress Guidelines Committee".

### 6.4 Finance Committee

Mr. Tuori drew attention to the Finance Committee report (C1 Dresden 76/FC-1) and said the FC had met in Copenhagen end-January 1976.

Mr. Tuori referred to the Dues question and recalled that it had been decided in Rio to raise Dues by 30 % from 1978 and that the FC had been charged to make a proposal as to structure, etc. He said, that, as a result of Executive Body discussions, it had been decided to maintain the current relationship of Dues among IFIP Members when calculating the proposed new Dues.

As to automatic adjustment, Mr. Tuori confirmed that the FC will make a detailed proposal to the General Assembly in Tashkent. The FC will suggest using the official Swiss cost-of-living index as the basis for an adjustment every two/three years.

Mr. Tuori regretted that the FC had not located any new sources of income, but still felt that a "Secretary-General" would be able to generate income. After discussion, it appeared that Council did not particularly favour this approach.

Mr. Tuori referred to the IFIP Financial Plan, contained in the FC report, and pointed out that IFIP could not survive only from Congress surpluses, Royalties and Dues, but must seriously plan on obtaining other income, effective from 1978.

Council NOTED the report.

## 6.5 ICIL (IFIP Committee for International Liaison)

The President, in Mr. Douglas' absence, drew attention to the ICIL report (C1 Dresden 76/ICIL-1) and acknowledged the presence of Mr. Kalman, the UNESCO observer.

### 6.5.1 NGO (UNESCO) Membership Fee

The President said that, by letter of 12 January 1976, IFIP had been informed that NGO's were being asked to pay a fee of French Francs 300 per year, effective November 1975, preferably two years at a time.

Council AGREED to IFIP paying this fee.

### 6.5.2 IFIP Relations with UNESCO

The President referred to the forthcoming Meeting in Paris between IFIP and UNESCO representatives as covered under point 4.1, of the Minutes.

Mr. Kalman said he would like to inform Council that the 18<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of UNESCO had been requested to hold the Intergovernmental Conference on Informatics jointly with IBI in 1977. Preliminary discussions had called for May or June, but the actual date would not be finalized until the November 1976 UNESCO General Assembly Meeting. The venue had not yet been decided, although Algeria was a possibility. Mr. Kalman added that information regarding this Conference was being sent out by the UNESCO Director-General, but, at this stage, he would appreciate the IFIP President advising him if he could participate and if IFIP could be active in the preparation of one of two of the background papers. Mr. Kalman explained that the Conference, with its emphasis on policies, fell mainly in the area of the TC 9 concept. Mr. Turski felt it would be opportune if this Conference could take place following the IFIP Congress as some of the output of the Congress technical discussions could probably be packaged for presentation to the UNESCO Conference. There were other comments expressing concern at the possible schedule conflict with Congress 77, and Mr. Kalman replied that he would inform UNESCO of the Council's concern. The President said he hoped these issues could be defined during the next months and IFIP would try to work out a reasonable relationship with UNESCO in respect of this Conference.

### 6.5.3 ICA (Intergovernmental Council for ADP)

Action:  
ICIL Ch.

The President pointed out that ICA is now in a state of reorganization and has approached IFIP about the possibility of cooperation under the IFIP umbrella. He added that Mr. Douglas was in correspondence with ICA and would keep Council informed of any developments.

Council NOTED the remainder of the report.

## 6.6 Publications Committee

Action:  
PC CH.

Mr. Zemanek presented the "IFIP Publications Policy" (C1 Dresden 76/PC-1). He said he intended sending copies of this Policy to the TC Chairmen in order to get further, relevant ideas from the field. The President congratulated Mr. Zemanek for completing the task and on the magnitude of the document and suggested that copies also be sent to the Chairmen of past Congress Organizing Committees for comment.

Council NOTED the report.

#### 6.7 Public Information Committee

The President expressed his appreciation of the report submitted by Mr. Navez (C1 Dresden 76/PIC-1) which indicated that the main role of the PIC would be to select, simplify, synthesize, etc. information of IFIP's activities for dissemination.

Action:  
Treas.

The PIC requested Council to consider establishing a budget for its use in the amount of SFr. 3,000. This matter will be discussed in Tashkent, but the President said, in the meantime, limited amounts, if necessary, would come out of the President's account. The President added that the PIC may consider using the services provided by the IFIP Foundation.

#### 6.8 Statutes and Bylaws Committee

Mr. Lehmann said there were no specific items to report.

#### 6.9 Regional Conference Policy Committee

Mr. Bennett said that the Committee had been less active and had changed its orientation because of the work being undertaken by the COC. Mr. Bennett added that he has been in contact with Mr. Koory with a view to the RCPC producing its document within the framework of the COC Guidelines. Mr. Bennett stated that no decision was required from Council at the present time.

#### 6.10 European Events Committee and ECI (European Cooperation in Informatics)

Mr. Keilhau said that the EEC had not done anything since the Rio General Assembly Meeting pending clarification of the ECI matter.

The President advised that he had met with ECI representatives on the preceding Monday in Amsterdam. Mr. Fisher, attending Council as the ECI observer, had also attended. The President stated his view that it was a worthwhile meeting and one which was necessary to minimize misunderstandings between IFIP and ECI. The President said he had explained to ECI the reasons behind IFIP's objective of holding a major European event in 1978, and that the delays in implementation by IFIP had led to the apparent conflict with ECI's plans to hold a Conference in the same year in Italy. Mr. Fisher said he wished to make clear to Council that ECI was not a competitive body, but, in its view, a sub-regional group of five National Members of IFIP (France, FRG, Italy, The Netherlands and the U.K.). He added that Belgium and Ireland might also join ECI.

The President stated that Council must take a decision relative to 1978 on whether IFIP should continue to plan on a major European event or cancel its plans. The choice would lead to the further actions – that ECI either move its Conference date, or, alternatively, IFIP would.

Mr. Fisher emphasized the importance to ECI of holding a Conference in 1978 in order to establish a two-year cycle. (The first ECI Conference will take place in Amsterdam in August 1976.)

In the ensuing discussion, Mr. Renard stated that his Society would certainly not approve holding two major European events in the same year and would be forced to take a position. Mr. Dorodnicyn felt it would be beneficial if various European events could be coordinated in order to have a really major Conference (IFIP, NordDATA, East European Conference) and suggested that IFIP propose such a joint Conference.

Mr. Chevion proposed holding the IFIP Conference in 1979. In this way, ECI could go ahead with its 1978 Conference for which it had already begun to make preparations. Mr. Fisher said ECI would be very willing to cooperate in an IFIP event in 1979.

Mr. Chevion put forward the motion that IFIP plan a major European event for 1979 subject to General Assembly approval.

Council unanimously ADOPTED the motion.

Action:  
President

Mr. Keilhau noted that although IFIP had had a European Events Committee, specific assignments should be made to initiate plans for this 1979 Conference. The President replied that he would appoint a Committee and advise Council accordingly.

The President thanked Mr. Fisher for having come to Dresden for this Agenda item.

#### 6.11 IJCPR (International Joint Conference on Pattern Recognition)

The President pointed out that IJCPR's proposed name-change (IAPR) was not yet official and, therefore, would continue under the name IJCPR until IFIP was notified otherwise.

Action:  
Secretary

Mr. Keilhau recalled that a Committee had been appointed in Rio, comprised of Messrs. Freeman, Lehmann and himself, to work out rules on the status between IFIP and IJCPR. The Committee had not yet been able to discuss the draft he had prepared (C1 Dresden 76/Secr.-2), but it would be revised to include additions just received from Mr. Lehmann and possible suggestions from Mr. Freeman.

The President said Mr. Renard had suggested, and he had agreed, that a Member of the APC be prepared to act as the IFIP / IJCPR Liaison Officer. Mr. Renard confirmed that Mr. Chevion had agreed to take over this function.

Mr. Keilhau added that IJCPR would be requested to report to the IFIP General Assembly once a year on its activities.

#### 6.12 Terms of Appointment

Mr. Keilhau said he had been asked by the President to come up with a suitable mechanism to keep track of expiring TC and WG Officers' term. This matter had been discussed in the Executive Body Meeting and the document was presented to Council (C1 Dresden 76/Secr.-3)

Council NOTED the report.

Action:  
Secretary

Mr. Bennett suggested that this document be circulated to the TC Chairmen for their comments.

### 7. IFIP CONGRESSES

#### 7.1 Congress 77 – Organizing Committee

Mr. Finch presented the C77 OC Budget report of March 18, 1976 (C1 Dresden 76/C77OC-1) and requested that it be considered as a working document, since the figures given therein might be revised. The Budget was based upon an attendance of 5,000 at Congress 77 and showed a substantial surplus. Mr. Renard asked if the surplus included the loan from IFIP to which Mr. Finch replied affirmatively.

Mr. Finch indicated that the effects of the recession were being felt in Canada and possibly some of the services anticipated from the Canadian Federal Government might not be received. He added that the Budget included greatly-reduced administrative and clerical expenses, and reduced printing and mailing costs. Mr. Finch said an agreement had been concluded with AFIPS whereby the latter would manage the Exhibition on a non-profit basis. This agreement had increased the potential surplus by \$62,000. The plan is to sell 100% of the Exhibition capacity of 30,000 square feet (and not 91% as indicated in the Budget). This represented 300 booths and considered feasible, since 250 had been sold at the previous CIPS Annual Conference.

Mr. Finch advised that an attendance of 2,400 was necessary in order to break even. The Committee was concerned about attracting delegates from the U.S.A. and felt the current figure of 2,500 U.S. participants might be over-optimistic.

Mr. Finch announced it had been decided to push back the early and pre-registration dates and these, with proposed fees, were as follows:



- early registration (prior to September 15, 1976)           \$110,00
- pre-registration (prior to April 15, 1977)               \$125,00
- registration (after April 15, 1977)                       \$145,00

The President queried the policy to be taken on complimentary registrations and Mr. Finch replied that this matter would be discussed with Mr. Koory. However, it was his thinking that people working for the Congress should be admitted free of charge, but no necessarily receive a copy of the Proceedings.

Mr. Finch advised that the first Newsletter (one out of twelve) had been released and a booklet had been printed by the Airlines for distribution to their agents. He confirmed that the Call for Papers had been distributed in bulk by airmail approximately ten days prior to Council. Mr. Finch said that the C77 Budget might have to bear some of the distribution costs of the publicity information for potential attendees in the U.S.A.

Action:  
C77 OC Ch.

Mr. Keilhau requested Mr. Finch to ensure that the IFIP Secretariat receive adequate copies (50) of all printed material relating to the Congress so that the Secretariat could respond to requests to supply information.

Mr. Finch noted that the Congress 77 Organizing Committee had introduced a project management system, with each event recorded.

## 7.2 Congress 77 – Programme Committee

Mr. Turski presented his report (C1 Dresden 76/C77PC-1) and announced that the Programme Committee had held its second Meeting at the IFIP Foundation in mid-February 1976. He added that the services of the Foundation were greatly appreciated.

Mr. Turski said the Programme Committee had decided to have a single bound volume of Proceedings and, although the final contract was not yet signed, plans were well advanced. The Proceedings would be available at the time of the Congress. The estimated production cost objective was approximately \$10 per volume. Mr. Bennett queried the fact of one volume as it would be rather heavy. The President replied that a single, hard-bound volume was consistent with plans of making the Proceedings immediately available for sale following the Congress.

Mr. Turski pointed out that there would be panel sessions in eight different areas and 35 panelists were scheduled to participate.

- Area 1:           Programming Methodology, Verification and Synthesis
- Area 2:           Very Large Memories
- Area 3:           Reliable Software
- Area 4:           Interconnection of Networks
- Area 5:           Understanding of Natural Language
- Area 6:           Economics, Organizational and Social Implications of CAD
- Area 7:           Business Problems in Planning of Data
- Area 8:           Computer Systems for Education in Schools

He added that all IFIP Groups and Bodies had been approached to contribute and two events had been requested:

WG 2.2	in Area 1
TC 9	in Area 7

Mr. Turski drew attention to the fact that 25 distinguished persons had been selected from 10 different countries to be invited as the main speakers. 21 alternates had also been selected. Mr. Turski respectfully requested Council to approve the lists so that suitable invitations could be issued.

After considerable discussion and questioning on the geographical distribution of the proposed invited speakers, the President asked the Council to support the Programme Committee. The President said Mr. Turski and his Committee fully understood the geographical distribution problem, and, taking all factors into consideration, suggested that Council approve the list of invited speakers.

Council APPROVED, with one abstention, the Programme Committee's suggested list of invited speakers.

There was further discussion on the geographical balance of the submitted papers and Mr. Bennett suggested that Council accept the Programme Committee's request to be authorized to choose the submitted papers for the Congress and to consider its decision as binding.

Council VOTED in favour of this request with one opposition and one abstention.

Mr. Turski remarked that the Organizing Committee had been notified by AFIPS of an organization which had offered to tape-record the sessions and to make these available for sale. He said the Programme Committee had no objection to recording the panel sessions, but did not support recording the paper presentations. Mr. Finch commented that all the information regarding the taping was not yet available, but agreed with Mr. Turski that in the event of recordings, the panel participants should be notified in advance and advised that the tapes would be subsequently available for sale.

There appeared to be no objection and no support for recording the session.

In addition to the planned Chess and Bridge Tournaments, Mr. Turski announced that the possibility of an Olympics event was being considered related to Computer Programming, with a standard set of problems.

Mr. Turski said the Proceedings Editor had requested that his Subcommittee of five people be exempt from the registration fee. In total, Mr. Turski respectfully requested complimentary registration for the 12 PC members, 25 invited speakers and the five Proceedings Subcommittee people.

Mr. Turski added that the Programme Committee would greatly appreciate a statement of policy with respect to Session Chairmen, since their selection would be made at the third PC Meeting. He also asked for an indication of which items would require approval other than by the PC.

Mr. Turski indicated that the Programme Committee planned to release the final programme as soon as possible, since this would enhance the Congress appeal and assist in attracting participants.

Mr. Turski concluded by advising that the Programme Committee will convene in Amsterdam 14-20 February 1977 and that he had asked that the IFIP Foundation not be scheduled for other meetings during that time.

Mr. Renard proposed that Council approve the remainder of the report and the requests.

Council unanimously APPROVED.

### 7.3 MEDINFO 77

Mr. Roukens presented his report (C1 Dresden 76/MED77-1) and advised that the Steering Committee included: the Past Chairman of the MEDINFO 74 Programme Committee, the Chairmen of MEDINFO 77 Programme Committee and Organizing Committee, the Secretary of TC 4 and himself. The Organizing Committee, chaired by Mr. J.F. Brandejs, is composed of Canadian members and the Chairman of the U.S. MEDINFO 77 Committee.

The Programme Committee, reflecting professional, scientific and geographical interests, is composed of ten members from eight countries, under the Chairmanship of Mr. W. Schneider. The MEDINFO Editorial Committee, which is responsible for the financial and technical aspects of the Proceedings, is chaired by Mr. B. Bernholtz; Mr. Pace is Chairman of the MEDINFO Finance Committee.

Mr. Roukens described a February meeting in Toronto of what he termed the Super Steering Committee: the IFIP President, Mr. Finch, Mr. Brandejs, and himself. The meeting re-affirmed that no changes are foreseen in the arrangements to hold MEDINFO 77, parallel to Congress 77, in the Harbour Castle Hotel and Convention Centre. He added that MEDINFO 77 arrangements would be coordinated with and, whenever practical, handled by the Congress 77 Organizing Committee.

Mr. Roukens announced that 8,000 Preliminary Invitations, including the Call for Papers, had been sent in bulk to several countries, but no yet distributed within these countries. The Programme will be directed at three main audiences: those in medical informatics; directors and managers of hospitals and health institutions; and the medical profession.

Demonstrations will be at the Harbour Castle Hotel and will include a fully-automated doctor's office and laboratory. The MEDINFO 77 Exhibit booths, however, will be an integral part of the Congress 77 Exhibition, but probably housed in a specified area. The income and expenses of these exhibits would be allocated to the MEDINFO Budge.

Mr. Roukens referred to the three Budgets attached to his report and said they had been based on an estimated low attendance of 1,000 persons, and expected attendance of 1,500 and a rather optimistic estimate of 2,000. As there had been 950 participants at the MEDINFO 74 in Stockholm, it was felt that at least 1,000 would attend in Toronto.

Mr. Roukens drew attention to the estimated Cash Flow Statement which showed a net cash figure of \$150,800 against budgeted total expenses of \$136,578. These figures are in relation to an attendance of 1,000 persons.

Mr. Roukens noted that \$10,000 had been included in the Budget as support for invited speakers. There were several key people who would be unable to participate if they did not receive some financial aid. Mr. Tursky, and others, mentioned the precedent established if speakers were to receive financial help from IFIP other than being exempted from the registration fee. Mr. Bennett proposed that if any assistance is provided for invited speakers, that it be from sources other than Congress or MEDINFO funds.

Council unanimously AGREED to this proposal.

Action:  
TC 4 Ch.

Mr. Roukens pointed out that the registration fees of \$130 advance registration (prior to April 30, 1977) and \$155 full registration (at the Conference) included the MEDINFO Proceedings (at an estimated cost of \$25). Mr. Tursky observed that the MEDINFO Proceedings cost was high compared to the Congress 77 Proceedings estimated cost and should be reviewed. The President, while drawing attention to the fact that fewer copies would be printed, requested Mr. Roukens to try to lower the cost.

The President queried if there were a draft policy on dual registration. Mr. Finch replied that it was proposed to allow all registrants to attend the Exhibition, but Congress 77 registrants and MEDINFO 77 registrants could only attend the technical sessions of their own Conferences.

After considerable discussion on this issue, the President proposed that the question of an additional charge for dual registration be left in the hands of the Congress 77 and MEDINFO 77 Organizing Committees.

Council AGREED.

Mr. Roukens terminated his comments by indicating his pleasure at the positive relationship established between the organizers of Congress 77 and MEDINFO 77.

#### 7.4 Congress 80

Mr. Bennett referred to his report (C1 Dresden 76/C80-1) and said that the Australian Computer Society is watching Congress 77 developments, and that no Committee had yet been appointed for local arrangements in Australia. Mr. Bennett stated that an early definition of the form of the Congress 80 Organizing Committee is required in view of the split nature of the Congress. The President deferred this issue for later action.

8. CONFERENCES

8.1 INFOPOL 76

The President referred to correspondence he had circulated to Council Members (dated 9 February 1976) explaining the reasons for according a Grant of \$2,000 in support of INFOPOL 76 scheduled to take place in Warsaw during the week of 22 March 1976.

Council CONFIRMED its approval of the President's action with respect to INFOPOL 76.

8.2 SEARCC (South East Asian Regional Computer Conference)

Mr. Bennett presented his report (C1 Dresden 76/SEARCC-1), together with supplementary information from Mr. Kohli.

Mr. Bennett said that the modified Budget showed break-even. The SEARCC Committee had expressed its appreciation for the transfer of the IFIP Loan of SFr. 6,000. As for other sources of support, IBI has given a Grant in the amount of \$1,000 and UNESCO has offered travel expenses of two invited speakers up to \$4,000. Mr. Bennett hoped this restriction on the number of speakers could be lifted to permit the Grant to be more widely spread; he planned to discuss this at the IFIP / UNESCO meeting following the Council.\*

\* The restriction was removed.

Mr. Bennett indicated that approximately 80 papers had been submitted and notices to those accepted had already been mailed. He added that nine speakers had been invited.

Mr. Bennett said he would be going to Singapore on his way back to Australia and would keep the President informed on any new issues.

8.3 AITC (Asian Institute of Technology Conference)

Mr. Chevion presented his reports (C1 Dresden 76/AITC-1 and 2) and recalled that IFIP would sponsor "in name only" this Conference scheduled for end-August 1977 in Bangkok.

Mr. Chevion said there were no matters to be decided upon at the present time, and that the Liaison Committee (composed of Mr. Bennett and himself) would be in close contact with the organizers under the Chairmanship of Mr. T. Hongladaromp to ensure that all points of interest to IFIP be covered.

The President added that the AITC should be scheduled to allow Congress 77 participants to attend if they so desired.

8.4 1976 International Zürich Seminar on Digital Communications (9-11 March 1976)

Mr. Keilhau announced that, due to an administration oversight at the Rio General Assembly, the question of IFIP sponsoring this Seminar "in name only" had not been raised. However, based on an earlier precedence, the President had acted on an expediency basis, and IFIP's name was listed on the Advance Programme under the provisional list of sponsors.

8.5 WCCE (Second World Conference on Computer Education)

Action:  
Treas.

Mr. Chevion presented his reports (C1 Dresden 76/WCCE-1 and 2) and said that a surplus of approximately SFr. 19,000 would be transmitted to IFIP, with the possibility of some portion of French Francs 24,000 unpaid registration fees, if paid. Mr. Chevion proposed that the IFIP Treasurer follow up on the question of receiving the surplus and the status of the unpaid registration fees.

Action:  
D. Chevion

The President expressed Council's appreciation to Mr. Chevion for his role in WCCE. Mr. Bennett asked that Mr. Chevion transmit Council's thanks to the large number of WCCE workers.

9. FUTURE COUNCIL AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

9.1 Council 1977 Invitations from the British Computer Society and from the Computer Society of India

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The President informed Council of two invitations received, one from the BCS and the other, more recently, from the CSI to host the Spring 1977 Council Meeting. He added that the invitations were extremely well-worded and conveyed the IFIP spirit.

After discussion, it was agreed it would be preferable to hold the Spring Council 1977 Meeting in Great Britain (London) in view of the 1977 General Assembly taking place in Canada. The President asked Mr. Narasimhan if the invitation to India could be extended to Spring 1978. Mr. Narasimhan felt this would be acceptable, although he could not take the decision alone.

Action:  
President

The President said he would advise the British Computer Society that IFIP would be very pleased to accept its invitation for Spring 1977, and would also convey IFIP's appreciation to the Computer Society of India and ask if the Spring 1978 Council Meeting could be held in India.

9.2. Council and General Assembly 1980 Invitation from the Australian Computer Society

Mr. Bennett announced that the ACS would be willing to host the 1980 Council and General Assembly Meeting and a formal invitation would be issued if the proposal were acceptable. Due to the split nature of Congress 80, Mr. Bennett said it would be desirable for Council to express an opinion on the most acceptable dates and venues and proposed various possibilities.

Action:  
J.M.Bennett

The President asked Mr. Bennett to thank the Australian Computer Society for its proposal, but asked that action be deferred to a later date, particularly to permit the General Assembly to express its opinion.

10. OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

10.1 MEDCOMP 76

Mr. Renard reported that IFIP had been asked to be a sponsor of MEDCOMP 76 (International Congress on Computing in Medicine). Council decided not to sponsor this Congress since there were some concerns expressed by some IFIP National Societies and by TC 4.

Action:  
President

The President said he would advise the organizers of Council's decision.

10.2 Budget Review

Mr. Tuori prepared a report (C1 Dresden 76/Treas.-8) based on decisions taken during the Council Meeting:

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| a) | INFOPOL Grant   | – | SFR. 5,150.                                       |
| b) | TC 7 3 <sup>rd</sup> WC on “Modelling and Simulation of Water Resource Systems” Grant | – | SFR. 3,250.                                       |
| c) | PIC request of SFR. 3,000   | – | to be discussed at the Tashkent General Assembly. |
| d) | COC budget  | – | to be discussed at the Tashkent General Assembly. |

11. CLOSING OF MEETING

The President thanked the Council Members for their contributions and again expressed Council's appreciation to Mr. Lehmann and his colleagues for their hospitality and for the arrangements made on Council's behalf.

The President declared the Meeting closed.

APPENDIX 1TC 9 (Relationship between Computers and Society)

## AIMS -

## \* Communicating Social Consequences

Promote communication between computer-related professionals and others on relationships between computer technology and society.

## \* Promoting Social Accountability

Help computer professionals to develop increasing awareness of the social consequences of their work, within IFIP and in the profession at large.

## \* Facilitating Research

Encourage studies on the effects of the uses of computers on individuals and society.

## \* Humanizing Information Systems

Examine how the needs of individuals and society affect the design of technical systems involving computers.

## \* Enhancing the Quality of Life

Identify and promote those uses of information processing which improve the quality of life of individuals and of society as a whole.

## \* Encouraging Responsible Long-Range Planning

Promote forecasting studies to disseminate early warnings on human consequences of the use of computers, and encourage the development of long-range social plans to ensure that the use results in human benefits.

## SCOPE -

The Committee is concerned with the influence of the applications of computers to individuals, groups, institutions, and society. It is not concerned with computer developments which are strictly technical, or developments in which there is no scientific or technical component.

ACTION POINTS LISTReference:

1. PRESIDENT: to inform Council on the outcome of the March 1976 meeting with UNESCO p. 4.1
2. SEC'T: to distribute the revised Standing Orders. p. 4.2.2
3. SEC'T ADV., SECRETARY, SEC'T: to prepare and publish revised IFIP Summary following the Tashkent General Assembly p. 4.2.3
4. ALL: to use current IFIP stationery p. 4.2.5
5. TREAS., SEC'T: to take further follow-up action regarding Back Dues. p. 4.3
6. PC: to present Royalties report at the Tashkent General Assembly p. 4.3
7. PRESIDENT: to write a letter of recognition to Mr. Steel. p. 5.1
8. TC 2 COG.V-P: to advise TC 2 Chairman to provide earlier notice of Meetings to U.S.S.R. WG members. p. 5.1
9. PRESIDENT: to convey Council's appreciation to Mr. Uncapher, and thanks to "Study" people. p. 5.1
10. TC 6 COG.V-P: to check with the TC 6 Chairman regarding distribution of the TC 6 Study for UNESCO to GA members. p. 5.1
11. COG. OFFICERS: to advise TC Chairmen to avoid scheduling TC Meetings in conflict with Council and / or GA Meetings. p. 5.2
12. TC 3 CH.: to arrange for new WG 3.1 and WG 3.2 Chairmen to be nominated at the next TC 3 Meeting. p. 5.2
13. TC 5 CH.: to continue as Acting Chairman until the Toronto GA Meeting. p. 5.2
14. TC 5+ TC 9 COG.V-P's: to follow up on a possible grant for the WC on "Socio-Technical Aspects of Automation" (May 1977 Varna) and to present request at the Tashkent GA Meeting. p. 5.2
15. TC 7 COG.V-P: to advise the TC 7 Chairman to try to re-schedule 1977 "Optimization Techniques" Conference. p. 5.3
16. TREAS.: to note grant of SFr. 3,250 for 3<sup>rd</sup> WC on "Modelling and Simulation of Water Resource Systems" (September 1977 Ghent). p. 5.3
17. TC 8: to make specific (and revised) WG proposals to the Tashkent GA, informing the APC well in advance. p. 5.4
18. TC 8: to attempt to present Chairman's name to the Tashkent GA. p. 5.4
19. COUNCIL MEMBERS: to communicate directly with the TC 9 Chairman regarding the proposed WG's. p. 5.6
20. TC 5 CH.: to advise the APC and TC 5 Chairman of the finally-intended Scopes of the WG's well ahead of their being presented to the Tashkent GA. p. 5.6
21. APC CH.: to present summary of TC requests at each Spring Council Meeting and insist upon the TC Chairmen submitting their plans according to the agreed schedule. p. 6.1

22. APC CH.: to discuss composition of WG's at next APC Meeting. p. 6.1
23. SEC'T: to update the 6-Year Plan for APC and GA Meetings. p. 6.1
24. AC CH.: to ask SMCE (Mexico) to send its prospective IFIP delegate to the Tashkent GA. p. 6.2
25. AC CH.: to invite Ireland to send a representative to the Tashkent GA. p. 6.2
26. SECRETARY: to prepare some specifics if IFIP does not hear from Ghana and Chile. p. 6.2
27. COC CH.: to present a draft of the "IFIP Congress Guidelines Manual" to the Spring 1977 Council Meeting. p. 6.3
28. PRESIDENT: to suggest to the COC Chairman that the Committee amend its name to "Congress Guidelines Committee". p. 6.3
29. ICIL CH.: to keep Council informed of any developments with ICA. p. 6.5.3
30. PC CH.: to send copies of the "IFIP Publications Policy" to TC Chairmen and past Congress OC Chairmen. p. 6.6
31. TREAS.: to consider establishing a budget for the PIC, to be discussed at the Tashkent GA. p. 6.7
32. PRESIDENT: to appoint an EEC and advise Council accordingly. p. 6.10
33. SECRETARY: to revise draft on status between IFIP and IJCPR. p. 6.11
34. SECRETARY: to circulate "Terms of Appointment" document to TC Chairmen. p. 6.12
35. C77 OC CH.: to ensure that the IFIP Secretariat receives adequate copies of all printed material relating to Congress 77. p. 7.1
36. TC 4 CH.: to try to lower the cost of the MEDINFO 77 Proceedings. p. 7.3
37. TREAS.: to follow up on the question of receiving the WCCE surplus and the status of the unpaid registration fees. p. 8.5
38. D. CHEVION: to transmit Council's thanks to the large number of WCCE workers. p. 8.5
39. PRESIDENT: to write to the BCS and to the CSI regarding their invitations to host Council Meetings. p. 9.1
40. J.M. BENNETT: to convey thanks to the ACS for its proposal regarding hosting the 1980 Council and GA Meeting. p. 9.2
41. PRESIDENT: to advise MEDCOMP 76 organizers of Council's decision not to sponsor same. p 10.1