

IFIP

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

22 - 24 September 1982 – ROME, ITALY

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ELECTIONS

K. Ando	(Japan)	was elected President-elect 1982/1983
R. Piloty	(F.R.G.)	was re-elected Vice-President for a two-year term
G. Glaser	(U.S.A.)	was elected Vice-President for a three-year term
A. Melbye	(Denmark)	was re-elected Trustee for a three-year term
G.J. Morris	(U.K.)	was re-elected Trustee for a three-year term
P.X. Guo	(China, People's Republic of)	was elected Trustee for a three-year term

IFIP COUNCIL COMPOSITION:

P.A. Bobillier	(Switzerland)	President	1977/1983
K. Ando	(Japan)	President-elect	1982/1983
N.J. Lehmann	(G.D.R.)	Vice-President	1980/1983
R. Piloty	(F.R.G.)	Vice-President	1980/1984
G. Glaser	(U.S.A.)	Vice-President	1982/1985
J. Fourot	(France)	Secretary	1981/1984
O.M. Dalton	(Ireland)	Treasurer	1981/1984
R. Narasimhan	(India)	Trustee	1980/1983
J.H. Finch	(Canada)	Trustee	1980/1983
A.W. Goldsworthy	(Australia)	Trustee	1980/1983
A.A. Dorodnicyn	(U.S.S.R.)	Trustee	1981/1984
A. Melbye	(Denmark)	Trustee	1982/1985
G.J. Morris	(U.K.)	Trustee	1982/1985
P.X. Guo	(China, People's Republic of)	Trustee	1982/1985

ORGANIZATION OF RESPONSIBILITIES:

N.J. Lehmann	Cognizant for TC 2
G.J. Morris	Cognizant for TC 3
J.H. Finch	Cognizant for TC 5, IMIA, ICID
R. Piloty	Cognizant for TC 6, TC 7
G. Glaser	Cognizant for TC 8
A. Melbye	Cognizant for TC 9
K. Ando	Cognizant for TC 10

ADMISSION

Regional Group – SEARCC	-	South East Asia Regional Computer Confederation was admitted as a Full Member, effective 1 January 1983.
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WORKING GROUP TITLE CHANGE

-	WG 6.1	“Architecture and Protocols for Computer Networks” (previously “International Packet Switching for Computer Sharing”)
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CHAIRMAN APPOINTMENTS

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|---|---------|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| - | WG 5.2 | E.A. Warman | - | (appointed Acting Chairman) |
| - | TC 6 | A Danthine | | (re-elected Chairman) |
| - | TC 6 | D.W. Davies | | (appointed Vice-Chairman) |
| - | WG 6.1 | C. Sunshine | | (appointed Chairman) |
| - | WG 7.3 | H. Kobayashi | | (appointed Chairman) |
| - | WG 7.3 | U. Herzog | | (appointed Vice-Chairman) |
| - | TC 9 | F. Margulies | | (appointed Acting Chairman) |
| - | WG 10.1 | W.K. Giloi | | (appointed Chairman) |
| - | WG 10.2 | M.R. Barbacci | | (re-elected Chairman) |
| - | WG 10.2 | Dominique Borrione | | (re-elected Vice-Chairman) |
| - | WG 10.3 | G.L. Reijns | | (appointed Chairman) |

COMMITTEES

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|---|--|------------------|
| - | Activity Planning Committee | A.W. Goldsworthy |
| - | Admissions Committee | A. Melbye |
| - | Congress Guidelines Committee | F. Genuys |
| - | Finance Committee | K. Hernaes |
| - | IFIP Committee: Informatics for Development / ICID | R.E. Kalman |
| - | IFIP Committee for International Liaison / ICIL | R.I. Tanaka |
| - | Internal Awards Committee | O. Zich |
| - | Publications Committee | H. Zemanek |
| - | Public Information Committee | G.J. Morris |
| - | Statutes and Bylaws Committee | N.J. Lehmann |
| - | Nominations Committee for Officers | G. Glaser |
| - | Nominations Committee for Trustees | O.M. Dalton |
| - | IFIP 25 th Anniversary Committee | F.L. Bauer |
| - | Site Selection Committee C89 | J.H. Finch |

EVENTS APPROVED

Kindly refer to GA Agenda item 9 – Technical Committees

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|---|------|--|---|----------------------------|
| - | 1983 | Council Meeting (Beijing, People's Republic of China,) | | |
| | | ◦ Executive Body | - | Monday morning, 21 March |
| | | ◦ Council | - | Monday afternoon, 21 March |
| | | | - | Tuesday, 22 March |
| | | | - | Wednesday, 23 March |
| - | 1983 | General Assembly and Related Meetings (Paris, France), September | | |

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COUNCIL MEETING

Rome, Italy - 22 September 1982

ATTENDANCECOUNCIL Members Present

P.A. Bobillier	President
K. Ando	Vice-President
N.J. Lehmann	Vice-President
R. Piloty	Vice-President
J. Fourot	Secretary
O.M. Dalton	Treasurer
G.J. Morris	Trustee
A. Melbye	Trustee
R. Narasimhan	Trustee
J.H. Finch	Trustee
A.W. Goldsworthy	Trustee
A. A. Dorodnicyn	Trustee
G. Glaser	Trustee

Congress 83 Chairmen Present (part-time)

J. Carteron	Organizing Committee
D.C. Tschritzis	Programme Committee

Observers Present

G. Sacerdoti	IFIP General Assembly Representative, AICA
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In Attendance

Therese Mahrer	Secretary to P.A. Bobillier
Gwyneth Roberts	IFIP Secretariat, Geneva
T. Uozumi	Assistant to K. Ando

Secretariat

Adelaide Cecconi	AICA
Serena Amato	Italsiel

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The President opened the Council Meeting and welcomed all participants. He conveyed his appreciation to Mr. Sacerdoti, his colleagues and AICA for the Meeting arrangements and warm hospitality.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

In view of the short period of time allocated for the Council Meeting, Mr. Fourot pointed out that the Agenda was simplified to avoid duplicating discussions which would be held later in the General Assembly.

Council unanimously APPROVED the Agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (C1 HELSINKI 82)

Council unanimously APPROVED the Helsinki Minutes.

4. EXECUTIVE BODY REPORT

The President referred to the Executive Body and Combined Meetings held just prior to Council and indicated that resulting, salient points would be presented with the relevant Agenda item.

The President drew attention to a growing, serious problem – the activity of General Assembly Members which could be classified in two categories: active and inactive, and his concern as to the kind of information which emanated from IFIP to the end-user in the Member countries. Perhaps the level of activity should be looked at and, if appropriate, certain Full Member status changed to Corresponding Member. Mr. Lehmann recalled the motion adopted at the previous Council Meeting to amend Statute 3.3 Termination (refer Helsinki Minutes, Agenda item 8.9) and confirmed this issue would be presented to the General Assembly.

The President stressed the need for IFIP to undertake increased activity in the developing countries, especially in South America and Africa, and enforce new programmes. He felt ICID could play a more aggressive role and needed individual representatives from developing countries to analyze their needs.

Action

Mr. Goldsworthy ventured the idea of holding a Council Meeting in conjunction with a Working Conference in a developing country and considered the Council should contact Member nations to see whether they would like – and were prepared – to host such activity.

Action

The President commented on the relations established with Unesco and IBI. Mr. Fourot said he would make an attempt to contact other organizations for similar support.

Mr. Fourot presented document (C2 Rome 82 / SECR-1) – a proposal for a ‘Continuing Action List’ which, as Secretary, he had been asked to establish by the Helsinki Council to avoid decisions being overlooked due to the change in Office Bearers and Chairmen. Two lists (chronological and responsible party) would, henceforth, be issued prior to and following each Council and General Assembly Meeting. It would be the duty of those involved to advise the Secretary when an action item was completed or deemed no longer current.

Mr. Fourot drew attention to the various Job Charters he would be presenting to the General Assembly for approval. The Council agreed to same with the exception of the Site Selection Committee Charter which it felt should be expanded. (Refer GA Minutes, Agenda item 5 for Job Charter details.)

Mr. Ando queried the responsibility of IFIP National Correspondents (currently 15 – per the listing in Information Bulletin No. 16, March 1982) and called for a definition. The President stated this channel had been created at a time when it had been felt communication with the Member Societies was not as it should be and General Assembly Members had been overloaded.

Action

Mr. Fourot agreed to take over the task of précising the role of IFIP National Correspondents.

5. TREASURER REPORT

Mr. Dalton gave a briefing on the various Treasurer reports to be presented to the General Assembly (refer GA Minutes, Agenda item 8). He announced that the Congress 80-Australia surplus had now been received (approximately SFr. 195,000) which was being held in a deposit account in that country and earning a high interest of around 16%.

Reverting to the matter of the Finnish investments which appeared on the Balance Sheet at book value as opposed to current value, Mr. Dalton explained this was in keeping with the Genevese fiscal law. However, the auditor had drawn up a statement as at 30 June 1982 which showed a book value of SFr. 409,000 compared to the current value of SFr. 282,000. Mr. Dalton nevertheless, assured the Council that upon maturity these investments would be realized at their purchase price although subject to the exchange difference between the various foreign currencies involved and the Swiss Franc.

Mr. Dalton advised that the Finance Committee Chairman would be reporting to the General Assembly on IFIP's total assets and investment plan as well as on the Dues structure (refer GA Minutes, Agenda item 11.3).

Mr. Goldsworthy referred to a recommendation which the Activity Planning Committee would propose to the General Assembly – namely, that budgetary decisions be taken by the Council and not discussed at length at General Assembly as was the current practice.

6. TECHNICAL COMMITTEES AND IMIA

No decisions were taken by the Council.

Mr. Melbye drew attention to the problem of having to find a Chairman for TC 9 (Relationship between Computers and Society) due to Mr. Brotherton's resignation on account of illness. He added that Mr. Margulies had also stepped down as Vice-Chairman.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 Activity Planning Committee

The President congratulated the APC Chairman, Mr. Goldsworthy, on the extensive work undertaken by his Committee.

Action

Discussion ensued on further involving the Technical Committees and, in conclusion, the Council instructed the APC Chairman to review APC membership in view of increasing the involvement of TC Chairmen and also to encourage the participation of the Affiliate Members in Technical Committees.

7.2 Internal Awards Committee

Mr. Zich said IAC sought the Council's feelings on the creation of a service award for TC and WG Members. IAC thought candidates should be nominated by the TC Chairmen according to rough guidelines and concern those who were very active, but did not get the chance to receive the Silver Core.

Although the activity of Technical Committee and Working Group Members was greatly appreciated, the idea was disfavoured. It was pointed out that well-run TC's and WG's eliminated inactive people and criteria would thus need to be established for 'unusual' activity and contributions which would be difficult to control. Moreover, it was felt that belonging to a TC or WG was a reward in itself as they were gatherings of experts in their particular subject who had an interest to participate in same.

7.3 Ad Hoc Nominations Committee for Trustees

Mr. Zich explained there was an open position as Trustee which was not being filled on account of geographical distribution. It was hoped to eventually have someone from Latin America or Africa, but there were no appropriate nominations at the present time.

Both Mr. Morris and Mr. Goldsworthy considered that geographical distribution did not have to be taken as an ultimate objective. If this could not be achieved, then the position should be filled by someone who was prepared to work. Mr. Lehmann, however, favoured leaving the position vacant.

7.4 Nominations - General

Following discussion on the composition of the Council, Mr. Goldsworthy moved to increase the number of Vice-Presidents by one – to be implemented at the time of the 1983 General Assembly elections.

Council unanimously ADOPTED the motion for recommendation to the General Assembly.

Mr. Goldsworthy stressed the fact that GA Members should feel more involved with the question of Nominations; to be requested for Nominations from the floor at the time of the actual Elections was insufficient. The President said he would introduce the 1983 Nominations Committees during the current General Assembly Meeting and request GA Members to make suggestions to the respective Chairmen – namely:

- Nominations Committee - Officers

Messrs. Glaser – Chairman
Piloty
Sendov

- Nominations Committee - Trustees

Messrs. Dalton – Chairman
Kalman
Narasimhan

Action

Reference was made to the Guidelines for Nominations Committees and the Secretariat was requested to forward copies to Messrs. Glaser and Dalton.

8. CONGRESS 83

8.1 Organizing Committee

Mr. Carteron referred to his report (CGA Rome 82 - C83/OC-1) and drew attention to the updated version of the C83 budget which was based on an attendance of 3,000 participants. It was hoped to realize a net surplus (at 1982 values) of approximately SFr. 460,000 of which IFIP would receive SFr. 340,000.

In accordance with the Helsinki Council decision that the registration fee be no greater than U.S. \$400, the fee had been set at SFr. 750, with SFr. 650 for early-bird and SFr. 800 for late and on-site registration – which figures had appeared in the 2nd Announcement (March 1982). Mr. Carteron added that the fee would be stated in French Francs in future publicity material and, at the present time, this represented FF. 2,500.

The Council duly noted the fee schedule, but seriously felt the early-bird deadline of 31 December 1982 should be extended in view of the late distribution of the 2nd Announcement which some Societies and recipients had only received in recent weeks.

A great amount of criticism was ventured in respect of the distribution of Congress 83 publicity and the Programme Committee Chairman, Mr. Tschritzis, strongly remarked that neither he nor his Area Chairmen had received copies of the 2nd Announcement and Call for Papers. In fact, he was most discouraged by the lateness of the dissemination of the Call for Papers (deadline of submission of Papers being 1 November 1982) as PC had edited and completed same by Christmas 1981. Mr. Carteron commented that, to-date, approximately 230 persons had requested the 'instructions for authors'.

In reply to a query of Mr. Piloty, Mr. Carteron assured that if his Society required more copies of the publicity than sent, he only had to make a request which would be fulfilled. Mr. Morris deplored the fact that GA Members were unaware of the exact despatch schedule of promotional material which did not allow them to follow up with their respective Member Societies on further dissemination, etc. Again it was stressed that 'reply' acknowledgement slips should be sent in parallel with bulk mailings. Mr. Goldsworthy failed to understand why C83 OC did not heed past experience which had been documented. He also expressed his concern at the seemingly lack of liaison between OC and PC and assumed each had a representative at the other's meetings.

Following this particular discussion, Mr. Carteron admitted that C83 OC should (a) improve the method of distribution of publicity and check that bulk mailings were well received; (b) be more careful to send the publicity to the people within IFIP and (c) postpone the early-bird registration deadline to end February 1983.

Mr. Carteron, subsequently, presented a Promotion Programme Summary (which would be included in the documents for the General Assembly participants) reading:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Main Distr.</u>	<u>IFIP</u>	<u>Press</u>
Oct. 82	- Prelim. Programme Registrations Forms Social Events	x		
	- Second Press Release			x
Dec. 82	- News of the Congress Reminder for early regis.		x	
Jan. 83	- Mailing of Prelim.Prog To SICOB 82 visitors' list	x		
Mar. 83	- Final Report info. - Press Conf. (PC report)		x	x
April 83	- Final Programme Booklet	x		
May 83	- Congress information Registration reminder		x	
June 83	- Press Conference Press Release			x
Aug. 83	- SICOB / Congress 83 Exhib. mailings	x		

Mr. Carteron assured that OC / AFCET would be responsible for the distribution to the 'IFIP Mailing List'.

Messrs. Dalton and Morris expressed their concern that contrary to the spirit of no holding a "Convention Informatique" in 1983, this did not appear to be the case. Mr. Carteron confirmed that, despite apparent publicity, there would only be a purely professional meeting in May 1983 – for French people – end-user oriented – with completely different subjects than those of Congress 83 and no conflict was foreseen. Mr. Carteron underlined his feelings that there would be very little competition with Congress 83.

Mr. Carteron concluded his comments by referring to additional space which could be made available for potential new Exhibitors and to the OC 'IFIP-Image' Sub-Committee which was not only focusing on the social events, but also on the ways and means of giving Congress 83 large visibility from a media and general public point of view.

8.2 Programme Committee

Mr. Tschritzis presented his report (C2 Rome 82 - C83/PC-1) which included the final list of Invited Speakers with most of the tentative titles of their papers. Further information on titles was to hand and a complete list would be available for the General Assembly participants. As requested by the Helsinki Council, three additional Speakers had been invited – namely, A Blikle / Poland for 'Computer Software', R. Brent / Australia for 'Theoretical Foundations of Information Processing' and G.K. Gupta / Australia for 'Social and Economic Implications'.

Action

He added that the list of Panels was final in terms of subjects and requested names of potential Panel Members to be conveyed direct to the respective Area Chairman. Mr. Tschritzis emphasized that his first priority was to put together a good programme; secondly, to take into consideration the geographical distribution and thirdly, to leave the Area Chairmen leverage as to the papers they considered the most appropriate without imposing restraints.

Mr. Glaser stated he had been asked to request PC to release information on the programme as early as possible and especially prior to May 1983 so that the U.S.A. could promote the Congress at its Annual Meeting taking place in that month.

Action

Mr. Tschritzis confirmed that the programme would be completed at the beginning of March 1983, but he was prepared to release the current version of the programme to any GA Members who so desired same for promotional reasons, etc.

9. AD HOC SITE SELECTION COMMITTEE CONGRESS 89

The President felt it would help the next President if SSC C89 were appointed at the present time. The Council concurred and Mr. Morris underlined the need for the criteria for the Congress Site Selection to be more systematically spelled out.

Mr. Finch was, subsequently, appointed Chairman of SSC C89 with Messrs. Dalton and Goldsworthy as members.

10. OTHER EVENTS

There were no discussions under this Agenda item.

11. FUTURE COUNCIL MEETINGS

Mr. Fourot confirmed that the People's Republic of China would host the first quarter 1983 Council Meeting in Beijing – the week of 21 March.

Action

Details of the exact timing would be duly communicated to the Council Members and other invitees as soon as travel connection possibilities, etc. had been established.

There would be a short Council Meeting prior to the September 1983 General Assembly Meeting in Paris and the schedule would also be duly worked out.

Mr. Fourot advised that Hungary had issued an invitation to host the first quarter 1984 Council Meeting in Budapest in March and proposed that this be accepted.

Action

Council unanimously WELCOMED the kind invitation of the Hungarian Member Society and Mr. Fourot confirmed he would thank Mr. Kalman accordingly. However, due to the uncertainty regarding the location of the GA Meeting in 1984, it was decided to postpone the formal acceptance until the GA made its decision.

Mr. Fourot indicated that the lieu of the 1984 third quarter Council and General Assembly Meetings was still open, but the first quarter 1985 Council Meeting would take place in Munich, F.R.G. during the last week in March in conjunction with the IFIP 25th Anniversary celebration.

12. OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

The President considered future Combined Meetings should be restructured as the size had become rather 'out-of-hand' and emphasis should be laid on the participation of TC and WG Chairmen for whose purpose Combined Meetings had been initiated.

13. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

The President thanked the Council Members and other participants for their contributions and declared the Meeting closed.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

Rome, Italy - 22 - 24 September 1982

ATTENDANCEOfficers Present

P.A. Bobillier	President	Switzerland
K. Ando	Vice-President	Japan
R. Piloty	Vice-President	Federal Republic of Germany
N.J. Lehmann	Vice-President	German Democratic Republic
J. Fourot	Secretary	France
O.M. Dalton	Treasurer	Ireland

Members Present

J.R. Basso Dastugue		Argentina
A.W. Goldsworthy		Australia
O. Zich		Austria
J.E.D. Navez		Belgium
B. Sendov		Bulgaria
J.H. Finch		Canada
P.X. Guo		China, People's Rep. of
A. Melbye		Denmark
K. Kontinen		Finland
R.E. Kalman		Hungary
R. Narasimhan		India
A. Shubber *		Iraq
J. Raviv		Israel
G. Sacerdoti		Italy
R. Benmokhtar		Morocco
D.H. Wolbers*		Netherlands
O. Longe		Nigeria
A. Rolstadas		Norway
A.J. Simoes Monteiro		Portugal
H. Le Roux		South Africa
R. Portaencasa		Spain
K. Hernaes		Sweden
M.B. Mounajed		Syria
A. Cherif*		Tunisia
G.J. Morris		United Kingdom
G. Glaser		U.S.A.
A. A. Dorodnicyn		U.S.S.R.
H. Zemanek	Honorary Member	
D.B. Shires	Associate Member - IMIA	
H. Freeman	Affiliate Member - IAPR	
A.S. Douglas	Affiliate Member - ICC	

(* present with proxy of own country GA rep.)

Members Represented by Proxy

L. Gvozdjak	Czechoslovakia
C.J. Potter	New Zealand
L. Lukaszewicz	Poland
T. Aleksic	Yugoslavia

Proxy Held By

N.J. Lehmann
A.W. Goldsworthy
A. A. Dorodnicyn
P.A. Bobillier

Members Absent

?		Algeria
R. Guilherme Radunz		Brazil
O. Olivera		Cuba
A.E. Sarhan		Egypt
K.T. Park		Korea, Rep. of
I.L. Auerbach	Honorary Member	
R.I. Tanaka	Honorary Member	
M.E. Muller	Affiliate Member	
L.R. Thompson	Affiliate Member - EUROMICRO	

Technical Committee Chairmen Present

J. Hebenstreit	Chairman TC 3
J. Vlietstra	Chairman TC 5
J. Stoer	Chairman TC 7
D. Aspinall	Chairman TC 10

Technical Committee Chairmen Absent

M. Paul	Chairman TC 2
A. Danthine	Chairman TC 6
A.A. Verrijn Stuart	Chairman TC 8
-	Chairman TC 9

Working Group Chairmen Present

A. Rolstadas	WG 5.7 / GA Member-Norway
S. Michaelson	WG 10.5

Committee Chairmen Present

J. Carteron	Congress 83 Organizing Committee
D.C. Tschritzis	Congress 83 Programme Committee

Conference Representatives Present

D. Chevion	Governmental and Municipal Data Processing
K. Beckman	Security and Privacy

Observers Present

G. Bracchi	President, AICA
T. Cucciniello	IFAP
A. Insua	Spain
A. Fernandez P. de Talens	IMIA / AICA
Gen. Hardijono	President, SEARCC
E. Owolabi	UNESCO Representative
W.J. Towle	WHO Representative
Stephanie Smit	North-Holland Publishing Company
K. Owen	Journalist

In Attendance

Therese Mahrer	Secretary to P.A. Bobillier
Gwyneth Roberts	IFIP Secretariat - Geneva
T. Uozumi	Assistant to K. Ando

Secretariat

Adelaide Cecconi	AICA
Silvia Ciaghi	AICA
Serena Amato	Italsiel

(n.b. certain participants were not in attendance full time)

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The President opened the General Assembly Meeting and welcomed all participants. He conveyed his appreciation to AICA – in particular to Messrs. Bracci, Sacerdoti and Cucciniello / IFAP and to Ms. Cecconi, Ciaghi and Amato / Italsiel – for the Meeting arrangements and warm hospitality.

On behalf of AICA President Bracci, Mr. Sacerdoti expressed pleasure in welcoming everyone to Italy.

The President introduced the new National representatives: Mr. Sendov – Bulgaria, Mr. Kalman – Hungary, Mr. Rolstadas – Norway, Mr. Mounajed – Syria and Affiliate Member / ICCC representative: Mr. Douglas.

He also introduced Messrs. Shubber, Cherif and Wolbers who held proxies for respectively Iraq, Tunisia and the Netherland.

He further introduced Mr. Hardijono whose Confederation (SEARCC) was seeking Full Membership in IFIP; the TC, WG and Committee Chairmen and all Observers.

Mr. Fourot announced that proxies had been received

<u>from</u>			<u>in favour of</u>
° Mr. Gvozdjak	-	Czechoslovakia	Mr. Lehmann
° Mr. Potter	-	New Zealand	Mr. Goldsworthy
° Mr. Lukaszewicz	-	Poland	Mr. Dorodnicyn
° Mr. Aleksic	-	Yugoslavia	Mr. Bobillier

Mr. Fourot mentioned that excuses had been received from Honorary Members Auerbach and Tanaka, Affiliate Member / IASC Muller and TC Chairmen Paul / TC 2, Danthine / TC 6 and Verrijn Stuart / TC 8. He regretted that no news had been forthcoming from the General Assembly Members or Societies of Algeria, Brazil, Cuba*, Egypt and Korea, nor from Affiliate Member / EUROMICRO Thompson. (*Due to a mail problem, received during week following the GA.)

1.1 Address by Prof. F.A. Bernasconi, Director-General of the Intergovernmental Bureau for Informatics (IBI), Rome

The President welcomed and introduced Mr. Bernasconi. He drew attention to the good relations which had been established between IFIP and IBI and underlined the support IBI had given to the Third World Conference on “Computers in Education – WCCE 81”, and believed IBI would also give support to IFIP Congress 83. He hoped that IFIP would further develop its activity and influence in the developing countries and felt this could be accomplished with the cooperation of IBI. The President appreciated that the General Assembly Meeting was taking place in Rome – the lieu of the IBI Headquarters – and that Mr. Bernasconi could address the participants.

Mr. Bernasconi stated that when he joined IBI he was a professional in the field of informatics and it was, by chance, that he had become an international servant. He felt very happy to address the IFIP General Assembly as many of those present were his friends.

Mr. Bernasconi presented two activities of IBI that he assumed would be of interest to IFIP:

- (a) SPIN II (a continuation of the First Intergovernmental Conference on “Strategies and Policies for Informatics” held in Torremolinos in August / September 1978) which, originally scheduled for June 1983 in Havana, Cuba, had had to be postponed to September 1984 to allow Unesco to join IBI in the preparation of the Conference.
- (b) SPINDE – a special programme on “Informatics for Development”. This was an initiative aimed to put into action a five years’ programme for informaticians of the Third World and involved a budget of one billion dollars.

IFIP would be most welcome to participate in these activities.

Mr. Bernasconi intimated that SPIN II was being preceded by a number of preparatory, regional meetings. The first one – for the Latin American countries – had taken place in Mexico with the cooperation of the Mexican government, during which a Declaration on ‘Informatics Development and Peace’ had been signed by all participants, including the host President. He added that, today, more than twelve Heads of State had signed this Declaration and approximately twelve others had already expressed their willingness to do likewise. The action behind the signing of this Declaration was aimed to sensitize the top academic people of mainly developing countries on the importance of informatics for development.

A second regional meeting for the African States had been held in Dakar, Senegal. Further meetings were scheduled to take place early in 1983 and in May 1983; the former in Amman, Jordan for the Arab countries and the latter in New Delhi, India for the Asian countries.

A World Conference preparatory meeting was scheduled to take place in Europe end 1983 / beginning 1984.

Mr. Bernasconi summarized that this was the whole spectrum of the preparatory steps leading up to the final SPIN II Conference.

Referring to the second activity, SPINDE, Mr. Bernasconi explained that this involved negotiating special projects with countries which IBI named ‘recipient’ countries and ‘supply’ countries. Recipient countries would be called upon to pay 40% of the projects whereas those countries which supplied the technology would pay 50%.

The balance of 10% would be supplied by IBI.

SPINDE would be officially established at a meeting in Havana, Cuba in April 1983.

Mr. Bernasconi felt it was IBI’s responsibility to be close to and support IFIP hoping that, from a technical point of view, IFIP would be close to IBI.

Action

IBI officially invited IFIP to participate at the SPINDE April 1983 meeting in Havana in such a way that it would be involved from the beginning in the process of negotiating the projects that were fundamental for the development of the Third World.

In conclusion, Mr. Bernasconi ventured that no-one could imagine how big the impact of informatics would be five years hence, but, at the present time, 95% of all the efforts in that field were made in just a few developed countries and only 5% in the rest of the world. Therefore, a strong effort had to be made in the special field of informatics to reduce the gap between the developed and developing countries. SPINDE might appear to be a large programme, but it was only a very small effort towards this objective.

The President thanked Mr. Bernasconi for his address and assured him that IFIP was looking forward to a further, active cooperation with IBI.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the Agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (GA DUBLIN 81)

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the Minutes of the Dublin General Assembly Meeting with thanks to Ms Roberts.

Mr. Bracchi, AICA President, joined the Meeting and expressed the honour and pleasure his Society had in hosting the General Assembly in Rome. The President returned his thanks to Mr. Bracchi on behalf of IFIP and all the participants.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President referred to his Annual Report, July 1981 – June 1982, outlining past activities and the status of current and future IFIP events. He would comment thereon further along with the relevant Agenda item.

The President considered that active participation of General Assembly Members was essential to the life of IFIP and the present situation was not satisfactory; certain GA Members never turned up for GA Meetings nor answered letters. He underlined the need for continuity between IFIP and the Member Societies to thus ensure appropriate communication to the end-users in the respective countries. The President remarked on the increasing TC's and WG's and consequential tremendous list of activities.

Action

He again called on GA Members to review, on a regular basis, the participation of their Societies in TC's and WG's – especially since every Member country had the right to have one representative on a TC.

Action

He proposed the idea of each Member Society creating an IFIP Committee which would ensure continuity and indoctrinate its 'new' representatives to the IFIP General Assembly as to their responsibilities vis-a`-vis IFIP and their Society.

Finally, the President stressed that part of IFIP's mission was to do something for the developing countries. A limited programme had been started, but could not be compared to what should be done in the future. In the years to come, IFIP should have a more aggressive programme relating to developing countries – and this would be part of the task of the incoming President.

Action

In the meantime, the President assured he would continue to do what he could and asked for the help of all those present.

The President indicated that certain criticisms had been lodged in respect of the nomination / election procedure.

Action

He, therefore, presented the Nominations Committees for the 1983 Elections and invited all General Assembly Members to approach the Chairmen – either during the course of the current General Assembly Meeting or afterwards by mail – with suggested names for Officers and Trustees to be elected at the 1983 Paris General Assembly Meeting.

Nominations Committees

for Officers

Mr. Glaser	Chairman
Mr. Piloty	Member
Mr. Sendov	Member

for Trustees

Mr. Dalton
Mr. Kalman
Mr. Narasimhan

5. SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr. Fourot reported on a few action items which, as Secretary, he had been asked to handle.

Firstly, the establishment of a 'Continuing Action List' to avoid decisions being overlooked by the responsible parties.

Action

A proposal had been presented to the Council (refer Agenda item 4, page 4 of Council Minutes) and would be implemented within the next two to three months.

Secondly, Mr. Fourot confirmed he had written to all the Member Societies urging them to include their affiliation to IFIP on their letter-heads. However, to-date, he had received one indication.

Action

He requested General Assembly Members to follow up on this matter with their respective Societies and arrange for him to receive copies of Society letter-heads should this suggestion have been executed.

Thirdly, Mr. Fourot recalled he had been asked to establish contact with OECD. He would be meeting with their Mr. Gassman next month to see if any kind of cooperation could be established between IFIP and OECD. Mr. Gassman had been invited to attend the General Assembly Meeting, but, unfortunately, was unable to participate.

Fourthly, Mr. Fourot drew attention to the completion of the various Committee Job Charters. This was very important as the Charters indicated the function of each Committee which would allow the GA Members to approach those persons involved and convey to them their thoughts and contributions. Mr. Fourot recalled that the ICID and ICIL Charters had been approved at the 1979 GA and the Congress Guidelines Committee Charter at the 1981 GA. He, therefore, now presented – with the Council's approval – the Charters in respect of the: Admissions Committee, Publications Committee, Publications Officer, Public Information Committee and Statutes and Bylaws Committee. Mr. Fourot added that the Charters of the Activity Planning Committee and Conference Officer would be presented by Mr. Goldsworthy under Agenda item 11.1.

Action

As to the Site Selection Committee Charter, the Council had felt this should be expanded and would be presented at a later date.

General Assembly subsequently APPROVED the aforementioned Job Charters.

Action

The Job Charters will be published in the next edition of the IFIP Information Bulletin – No. 17.

In conclusion, Mr. Fourot advised he had attended the IBI General Assembly Meeting in June 1982 as an Observer and had delivered a message on behalf of IFIP.

The President thanked Mr. Fourot for the conscientious way he carried out his newly-acquired role of Secretary.

6. ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Melbye referred to his Annual Report and the application for Affiliate Membership from the International Group of Users of Information Systems: IGIS (previously IGU). He recalled the 1982 Helsinki Council decision: namely, that "IGIS needed a period of gestation prior to being considered for Affiliate Membership". Mr. Melbye confirmed he had written to IGIS for a status report at the end of June 1982, but had received no answer and the position was, therefore, 'status quo'.

Regarding the application for Affiliate Membership from the International Federation of Associations on Computer Applications in Engineering and Architecture (FACE), Mr. Melbye advised that AC had decided to postpone its decision until the next General Assembly to allow FACE to fully establish itself. FACE had been formally created in May 1981 with Australia, Great Britain, the Netherlands and U.S.A. as its founding members. He touched on the collaboration of FACE and IFIP TC 5 in respect of the 1983 upcoming 1st International Conference on "Computer Applications in Production and Engineering – CAPE 83".

Mr. Melbye added that a request for Affiliate Membership had also been received from the International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI). This application had not been sufficiently discussed amongst the AC members and it was also felt that additional information was required prior to making a recommendation to the General Assembly.

Mr. Melbye said he was happy to report that an application for Full Membership had been received from the Regional Group – South East Asia Regional Computer Confederation (SEARCC) – currently comprising Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand. He referred to document (CGA Rome 82 / AC-1) outlining the SEARCC Aims and Organization and background discussions with IFIP representatives (Messrs. Tanaka and Ando). Mr. Melbye indicated that AC fully supported this Full Membership application and introduced Mr. Hardijono, SEARCC President.

Mr. Hardijono expressed his gratitude for the opportunity of making a presentation on behalf of SEARCC to become the first Regional Group applicant for Full Membership since IFIP had introduced this possibility in its Statutes. Furthermore, it was even more significant that the first application should be received from a Group of national bodies in South East Asia which was considered to be a developing part of the world. It fulfilled the basic aims and objectives of IFIP to bring informatics and technology to the 'Third World'.

Mr. Hardijono gave a briefing on the past activities of SEARCC (formally created in February 1978) – the concept of which had been initiated by those National Computer Societies in the region which had participated at the First Regional Computer Conference held in Singapore, September 1976 under the auspices of IFIP. He added that Sri Lanka had applied for membership in SERACC which would lead to the Confederation becoming even more vibrant and dynamic.

It was moved that the General Assembly approve the recommendation of AC to admit to IFIP the Regional Group – South East Asia Regional Computer Confederation (SEARCC) – as a Full Member.

General Assembly VOTED in favour of admitting SEARCC as a Full Member - 34/0/2.

(first number: in favour, second number: against, third number: abstention)

The President welcomed SEARCC as a new IFIP Full Member, effective 1 January 1983, and the General Assembly APPLAUDED its admittance.

Mr. Hardijono expressed his appreciation and thanks to IFIP for admitting SEARCC.

Mr. Dalton advised that SFr. 3,100 had been proposed as the Annual Dues for SEARCC - General Assembly CONCURRED.

Mr. Melbye indicated that enquiries re Membership had been received from Ghana and Kuwait, but these were in the embryo stage.

Referring to the Spanish situation and FESI / ATI negotiations, Mr. Melbye informed that the President had just recently received correspondence from Messrs. Portaencasa and Santesmases of FESI which inferred the imminent integration of ATI in FESI. Mr. Portaencasa confirmed that, indeed, the negotiations were at an end and FESI was awaiting the ratification of the ATI General Assembly Meeting taking place 20 days hence.

Action

He felt that within the next month or two, the IFIP President would receive a letter, stating that everything had been resolved and was in order.

Mr. Melbye presented document (CGA Rome 82 / AC-2) – a report on ‘Proposed Guidelines for Admission of Affiliate Members’ and drew particular attention to the proposed Procedure and Criteria, namely:

Procedure: Application shall be asked for in a formal letter to the President and be accompanied by the following documents: the constitution, a list of financial resources, the names of officers and important committee members, the number and national distribution of members of the organization and a brief outline of its history.

Criteria: In assessing how international and how interested in the Information Processing field an organization applying for admission may be, the Admissions Committee shall consider such matters as –

- (a) the aims of the applicant organization as expressed in its constitution
- (b) the qualifications required of the members admitted to the applicant organization
- (c) the size, professional level and national distribution of the actual membership of the applicant organization
- (d) the activity level of the applicant organization as measured by the number and kinds of events each year
- (e) the publications circulated
- (f) the maturity of the applicant organization as evidenced by its history

In assessing the attributes of a proposed Affiliate Member, the Admissions Committee shall make sure that no national preference or dominance is evident. The Committee shall also consider the willingness of the applicant organization to cooperate and coordinate its activities with IFIP, e.g. by exchanging plans for events and similar activities, newsletters, lists of publications, etc.

Mr. Melbye indicated that, if adopted, this would necessitate a change in Bylaw 2.3. Additionally, AC proposed amending Statute 3.1 d) to read:

“Any international organization, professional or governmental, having interest in the Information Processing field and willingness to cooperate and coordinate its activities with the Federation may become an Affiliate Member of the Federation.”

It was also proposed that Affiliate Members pay a small Due in line with the Due for Corresponding Members.

Mr. Morris considered AC-2 an excellent document and moved that it be approved.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the ‘Proposed Guidelines for Admission of Affiliate Members’.

(Refer Agenda item 11.9 – Statutes and Bylaws Committee).

The President thanked Mr. Melbye and his Committee Members for their hard work.

7. ELECTIONS

7.1 Nominations Committee Report - Officers

Mr. Fourot presented his report (GA Rome 82/NCO-1) which had been distributed to General Assembly Members on 12 July 1982. NCO had to consider the election of the President-elect and the expiring term of Vice-President Piloty.

NCO, therefore, recommended the nomination of Mr. Ando as President-elect and Mr. Piloty for a second three-year term. Additionally, the nomination of Mr. Glaser for a two-year term to fill the post which would become vacant in the case of the election of Mr. Ando to the Presidency.

General Assembly ELECTED Mr. Ando as President-elect (32/1/1) – 1982 – 1983.

Mr. Longe (Nigeria), from the floor, nominated Mr. Goldsworthy (Australia) as Vice-President – which nomination was supported by Mr. Basso Dastugue (Argentina) and Mr. le Roux (South Africa).

This gave rise to the procedure to be adopted for the election and General Assembly APPROVED the proposal for Mr. Basso Dastugue that the most-voted candidate would be elected for a three-year term and the second one for a two-year term.

General Assembly subsequently ELECTED the following Officers

Mr. Glaser,	Vice-President (32)	1982-1985
Mr. Piloty,	Vice-President (23)	1982-1984

7.2 Nominations Committee for Trustees

Mr. Zich referred to his previously-distributed report of 12 July 1982. NCT had had to consider the expiring terms of Messrs. Melbye and Morris and one vacant post of Trustee. Mr. Zich said his Committee strongly felt the remaining post of Trustee (due to Mr. Glaser’s election as Vice-President) should be left open to allow the incoming NCT to meet the objective of geographical distribution.

NCT, therefore, recommended the nomination of Messrs. Melbye and Morris for second three-year terms and Mr. Guo for a three-year term.

There were no nominations from the floor.

General Assembly ELECTED the following Trustees:

Mr. Melbye	(32)	-	1982-1985
Mr. Morris	(33)	-	1982-1985
Mr. Guo	(32)	-	1982-1985

The President congratulated the Officers and Trustees elected who were APPLAUDED by the General Assembly Members.

8. FINANCES

8.1 1981 Audited Accounts

Mr. Dalton referred to his Annual Report 1981 / 82 and drew attention to the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for 1981 (TREAS-1) which showed net assets at the end of 1981 of SFr. 776,346.67 – bearing in mind that the Helsinki investments were shown at book value (refer Council Minutes, Agenda item 5. Total expenses for 1981 amounted to SFr. 326,460.31 against an income of SFr. 523,303 – which included surplus from Congress 80 (Japan) in the area of SFr. 174,000. Mr. Dalton stated that the accounts had been audited and presented the Auditor's Report (TREAS-2).

Mr. Dalton drew attention to the 1981 Income/Expense versus Budget (TREAS-3). He mentioned that the Dues income should relate to the expenditures of the Secretariat, but, in point of fact, there was a deficit difference of SFr. 36,000. 1980 and 1979 results also had deficit differences of respectively SFr. 25,000 and SFr. 15,000. He nevertheless, underlined that Secretariat was run at a low cost. Mr. Dalton added that the grants were over budget by approximately SFr. 10,000 due to a grant of SFr. 9,000 (TC 6) having been changed into a loan and two grants (SFr. 12,000) budgeted for 1980 having been taken up only in 1981.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the reports TREAS-1, TREAS-2 and TREAS-3.

8.2 1982 Statement – to 31 July 1982

Mr. Dalton presented (TREAS-4) which showed a surplus at the end of July of SFr. 283,368.95 against the total year budget of (SFr. 124,800). He pointed out that the Technical Committees had used approximately 25% of their yearly budget and the Officers' budget of SFR. 34,400, which included the President's Reserve Account of SFr. 10,000, had hardly been utilized. Mr. Dalton advised that the Secretariat expenses were in line with budget. Summarizing, he stated that IFIP would end up with a very positive result at the end of 1982 which would be reflected in the Finance Committee discussion re Dues, etc.

General Assembly NOTED the report, TREAS-4.

8.3 Dues Situation

Mr. Dalton drew attention to the Membership Dues Position as at 16 September 1982 (Treas-5) which he considered satisfactory as approximately 75% of the Dues income had been received. It was pointed out that the Danish Dues were currently being processed and the GA Members representing Bulgaria, Morocco and Spain confirmed that their respective Society Dues would be forthcoming shortly. Mr. Dalton mentioned that Brazil was delinquent for 1980, 1981 and 1982 and the Member Society had been duly re-contacted in this respect.

General Assembly NOTED the report, TREAS-5.

8.4 Congress 80 – Final Financial Status

Mr. Dalton advised that the Congress 80-Australia surplus had been received (approximately SFr. 195,000) which brought the total surplus of Congress 80 (Japan and Australia) up to a figure of SFr. 368,000. The President congratulated once again Messrs. Ando and Goldsworthy on this excellent result.

8.5 Investments

Mr. Dalton recalled that, in addition to the Helsinki investments, IFIP had funds placed in deposit accounts in Amsterdam, Tokyo and now also in Melbourne. The Finance Committee, of which he was a member, would be proposing a new investment plan to the General Assembly (refer Agenda item 11.3).

8.6 1983 Budget

Mr. Dalton presented document (TREAS-6) – the 1983 'draft' detailed Budget together with a Summary which indicated income and expenses in the respective regions of SFr. 304,000 and SFr. 406,000. He commented on the cooperativeness of the TC Chairmen in respect of the new trend to give loans rather than grants for Working Conferences, etc., which resulted in a loans figure of approximately SFr. 160,000 for 1983. As this procedure was to allow funds to be made available for TC Officer travelling expenses, if necessary, the General Assembly FAVOURED including an overall amount of SFr. 35,000 in the Budget for this purpose.

Further minor amendments were proposed and accepted and Mr. Dalton subsequently moved that the 1983 Budget be accepted.

General Assembly unanimously ADOPTED the motion.

Action

Mr. Dalton confirmed that a final, typewritten version of the 1983 Budget would be distributed to concerned parties by the IFIP Secretariat.

(n.b. The final Budget showed an income of SFr. 304,450, expenditures of SFr. 403,700 and loans of SFr. 166,000.)

The President congratulated Mr. Dalton on his reports and expressed his appreciation of the zealous way he had taken up his duties as Treasurer, which was a most responsible task.

9. TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

9.1 TC 2 (Programming)

Mr. Lehmann referred to Mr. Paul's Annual Report. He remarked that TC 2 had held its 29th meeting in Garmisch, F.R.G. in early June at which its Scope had been revised in compliance with the General Assembly proposal. Mr. Lehmann, therefore, recommended acceptance of the following:

- Scope: The work of TC 2 includes
- general considerations concerning programming principles and techniques, such as concept development, classification and description
 - the investigation and specification of particular programming languages
 - the investigation and specification of programming systems
 - the identification, investigation and specification of programming techniques and their applications

It was pointed out that TC 2 would retain its current title. (Refer Agenda item 11.1 of the Minutes.)

General Assembly unanimously ACCEPTED the revised TC 2 Scope.

Mr. Lehmann commented on the highly successful International Symposium on “Algorithmic Languages” which TC 2 had organized in Amsterdam, October 1981 as a tribute to Mr. van Wijngaarden upon his retirement from the Mathematical Centre, and WG 2.2 Working Conference on “Formal Description of Programming Concepts II”, held in Garmisch, F.R.G., 1-4 June 1982. The Proceedings of the Amsterdam event had been published and those of the Garmisch WC would be available shortly.

Mr. Lehmann recalled that TC 2 (WG 2.5) had requested IFIP’s support of an IEEE proposed standard for ‘Binary Floating-point Arithmetic’ which would significantly increase the reliability of scientific computation on microprocessors. He confirmed that, following the decision of the Council – Helsinki 1982 – the President had been asked to inform the IEEE Computer Society of IFIP’s support.

Mr. Lehmann sought approval of the following events which had been discussed in APC. The requested loans already appeared in the approved 1983 IFIP Budget.

- WG 2.1 / 2.4 Gen. Conf. on “Programming Languages and System Design”, 7-11 March 1983, Dresden, G.D.R. (Loan – SFr. 6,000)
- TC 2 WC on “System Description Methodologies”, 23-27 May 1983, Kecskemet, Hungary. (Loan – SFr. 5,000)
- WG 2.5 WC on “Partial Differential Equations Software: Modules, Interfaces and Systems”, 22-26 August 1983, Söderköping, Sweden. (Loan – SFr. 6,000)

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the events.

Mr. Lehmann drew attention to the Call for Papers / Invitation for the Dresden Conference which had been distributed to all GA participants.

Action

He called for the help and assistance of the General Assembly Members – as the reaction to the Invitation was still insufficient – to attempt to get support in their respective countries for the participation of TC 2 and WG representatives. An attendance of approximately 150 invitees was envisaged. Original papers would be presented and topics of general interest discussed.

Mr. Lehmann advised that the GA Dublin 81-approved WG 2.7 WC on “Command Languages and Related Interfaces in Local and Distributed Environments”, scheduled for 12-17 September 1982, Falmouth, Mass., U.S.A., had had to be postponed due to insufficient reaction to the Call for Papers. It would probably now take place in 1985.

In conclusion, Mr. Lehmann referred to TC 2’s 1983 budget request which had been approved in the overall IFIP Budget.

The President thanked Mr. Lehmann for presenting the TC 2 report which was NOTED by the General Assembly with thanks to Mr. Paul.

9.2 TC 3 (Education)

Mr. Hebenstreit referred to his Annual Report and recalled the tremendous success of WCCE 81 insofar as content and organization were concerned. He could now confirm that the Conference had realized a surplus of over SFr. 100,000 of which IFIP had received approximately SFr. 77,000. He wished to again express his thanks to the PC and OC Chairmen, respectively Messrs. Levrat and Immer.

Mr. Hebenstreit reported that TC 3’s last Working Conference, organized by WG 3.3, had taken place 24-26 March 1982 in Lancaster, U.K. Concerned with “Involving Micros in Education”, it had been a great success and the Proceedings were already available.

Mr. Hebenstreit commented on the contracts TC 3 had with Unesco in respect of “Curriculum” and “Feasibility Study”. The reports were in the hands of Unesco and there would probably be follow-up assignments.

Mr. Hebenstreit drew attention to several, already-approved Working Conferences which had had to be re-scheduled and confirmed that TC 3's 6-Year Plan had been revised accordingly and extended up to 1989.

TC 3 sought approval of a WC on "Guidelines for an International Pilot Seminar on Using Microcomputers in Secondary Education" to take place in 1984 – possibly in cooperation with Unesco and a total loan of SFr. 6,000 – 2,000 in 1983 and 4,000 in 1984. In this connection, Mr. Hebenstreit requested approval of a four-week International Summer School for about 20 teachers from different countries on "Microcomputers in Secondary Education" and a loan of SFr. 2,000. This would be organized by WG 3.3 in cooperation with the University of Lancaster from 11 July to 5 August 1983. The results of this Summer School would be used as an input for the aforementioned Working Conference. Mr. Hebenstreit added that should the WC prove successful, TC 3 – with the help of Unesco – would subsequently organize in 1986 an International Pilot Seminar on "Microcomputers in Secondary Education" to teach the participants the resulting curriculum from the "Guidelines" WC.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the Summer School and 1984 Working Conference (and respective loans in the overall 1983 IFIP Budget). The 1986 International Pilot Seminar was NOTED.

Mr. Sendov referred to a large Conference being organized by the Mathematical Union in August 1984 and the fact that the Bulgarian TC 3 representative, Mr. Penkov, was a member of the Programme Committee. He urged for cooperation between IFIP and the Mathematical Union since the latter was "somewhat old-fashioned and needed new blood" and mathematics had a big place in the curriculum of secondary schools.

Action

Mr. Hebenstreit proposed that the Mathematical Union elect an 'observing' member to TC 3 and suggested that Mr. Penkov duly advise the President of this person's name and address. He felt this would be a good way to initiate a fruitful collaboration.

Mr. Hebenstreit requested approval of the following:

- In cooperation with the Information Processing Association of Israel, a WG 3.4 WC on "Impact of Informatics on Vocational Education", September 1984, Jerusalem, Israel. (Loan – SFr. 4,000)

(Mr. Hebenstreit advised that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Israel had confirmed entry visas to Israel would be issued to all participants regardless of their country of origin.)
- TC 3 / TC 9 WC on "Evidence of Social Change caused by Computers in Education", April 1984, Toronto, Canada – preciously approved at 1981 Dublin GA. (Total loan of SFr. 6,000 – 2,000 in 1983 and 4,000 in 1984).
- TC 3 1983 budget

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED these events. The respective loans and budget request were approved in the overall 1983 IFIP Budget.

Mr. Hebenstreit presented the provisional budget for the 4th World Conference on "Computers in Education – WCCE 85" to be held in Norfolk, Virginia, U.S.A. during the week of 29 July 1985. Based on an attendance of 1,500 with an average charge of \$125, it was estimated to realize a surplus of \$27,000. The President pointed out that WCCE 81 had budgeted on the basis of 800 participants, although 1,300 finally registered, and its surplus was considerably higher. Mr. Hebenstreit advised that the NCC on "Education" would not be held and many of its participants were expected to attend WCCE 85 which, according to the PC Chairman, implied a figure between 1,000 and 2,000. Mr. Hebenstreit added that a meeting between TC 3 and the WCCE 85 OC and PC Chairmen would be taking place in April 1983 when he hoped the final provisional budget could be established. In conclusion, Mr. Hebenstreit informed that the first mailing of Call for Participation was scheduled for April 1983.

Mr. Goldsworthy indicated that Australia was interested in hosting WCCE 89 and had sent in a bid. Japan was likewise interested.

The President thanked Mr. Hebenstreit for his report and all the efforts he expended for the TC 3 activity.

9.3 TC 5 (Computer Applications in Technology)

Mr. Vlietstra presented a revised copy of his 1981/1982 Annual Report and commented on the TC 5 membership. He deeply deplored that U.S.A. and U.S.S.R. had still not nominated representatives. He commented on the unsatisfactory relationship with the Belgian representative who had not reacted during the past two years, resulting in his deletion. Mr. Navez regretted he had not been informed of this decision prior to the General Assembly. His Society would attempt to nominate someone in the area of robotics.

Action

The President felt Member Societies should establish a formal reporting system – for instance, making it obligatory for its TC representatives to render an Annual Report.

Mr. Vlietstra commented on the 19th meeting of TC 5 which has taken place in the previous month in Bordeaux, France, and the excellent shape of its five Working Groups – (WG 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.6 and 5.7). In respect of WG 5.2, however, Mr. Guedj had accepted to take over the Chair, but, due to professional obligations, had subsequently asked to be relieved for at least one year. The past-Chairman, Mr. Warman, had agreed to act as Chairman pending the appointment of a re-placement. Mr. Vlietstra requested that his appreciation of the work and efforts of the WG Chairmen be recorded.

Mr. Vlietstra drew attention to the preliminary programme of the First International Conference on “Computer Applications in Production and Engineering – CAPE 83”, 25-28 April 1983, Amsterdam, the Netherlands which had been distributed to all General Assembly participants. Held under the auspices of IFIP (TC 5), FACE, IFORS and sponsored by IBI, the Conference was considered to be a highly important event and

Action

Mr. Vlietstra called upon the General Assembly Members to assist in promoting same. The technical programme covered the following areas – State-of-the-Art, Socio-economic Aspects and Human Interfaces, Fundamentals, IP Techniques, Industrial Techniques, Industrial Applications and Future Trends – featuring approximately 100 invited and submitted papers and six panel discussions.

Mr. Vlietstra announced that three TC 5 Proceedings had been published during the last 12 months and six others were due to appear prior to year-end.

Mr. Vlietstra confirmed that the proposed Working Groups 5.8 “Product Specification Techniques” and 5.9 “Technical Product Documentation” were still in the process of being constituted.

Mr. Vlietstra requested the General Assembly’s approval of the following:

- WG 5.2 WC on “Optimization Methods in CAD”, 1983 Minsk, U.S.S.R. or Lyon, France (previously approved 1980 Melbourne GA). Grant request: SFr. 3,000.
- WG 5.7 WC on “Strategies for Design and Economic Analysis of Computer-Supported Production Management Systems”, 1983, Vienna, Austria. Grant request: SFr. 3,000.
- WG 5.2 / 5.3 WC on “Integration of CAD / CAM”, 1983, Dresden, G.D.R. Grant request: SFr. 3,000.

Mr. Vlietstra further requested approval of :

- IFAC / IFIP (WG 5.4) 12th Workshop on “Real Time Programming”, 29-31 March 1983, Hatfield U.K.
- WG 5.4 European Workshop on “Industrial Computer Systems – EWICS”, 6-8 April 1983.
- IFIP (WG 5.3) / IFAC WC on “Industrial Robotics in Discrete Manufacturing”, 6-8 June 1984, Como, Italy.
- WG 5.6 WC on “Modelling of Production Management Systems”, August – September 1984, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- WG 5.7 Conf. on “Advances in Production Management Systems – APMS 85”, 1985, Budapest, Hungary.

- IFIP (WG 5.6) / IFAC 5th Int. Conf. on “Computer Applications in the Automation of Shipyard Operation and Ship Design – ICCAS 85”. Location and date to be established.
- IFIP (WG 5.6) / IFAC 5th Symposium on “Ship Operation Automation – ISSOA 85”. Location and date to be established.

Mr. Vlietstra announced that a second WC on “Computer Applications in Food Production and Agricultural Engineering” was envisaged for March 1984 in Delhi, India.

Mr. Goldsworthy queried if the requested grants could be changed to loans. In reply, Mr. Vlietstra answered that TC 5 would not wish to structure the Working Conferences in a different way. He referred to the royalties of the many books produced by TC 5.

General Assembly unanimously ACCEPTED the TC 5 report.

The President thanked Mr. Vlietstra and conveyed IFIP’s appreciation of his untiring efforts as TC 5 Chairman.

9.4 TC 6 (Data Communication)

Mr. Piloty advised that Mr. Danthine was unable to be present as the previous week he had been in South Africa for a TC 6 meeting and a TC 6 sponsored Conference on “Data Communications”. Mr. le Roux intervened that Mr. Danthine had asked him to mention the success of the Conference which had attracted 400 paying participants.

Mr. Piloty referred to Mr. Danthine’s Annual Report and commented on the success of the Second Symposium on “Data Communications Technology and Practice – COMTAP 81”, November 1981, Sydney, Australia which had been sponsored by TC 6 and the Australian Computer Society. Mr. Goldsworthy added that ten of the Invited Speakers were TC 6 members and ACS had made a substantial contribution to their fares. 360 persons had paid to participate in same.

Action

Mr. Goldsworthy urged TC Chairmen to consider the philosophy of organizing Conferences in Australia, as aforementioned, and elsewhere.

Mr. Piloty announced that at the 23-24 April 1982 TC 6 meeting in Venice, Italy, Mr. Danthine had been re-elected as Chairman for a second term of three years and Mr. Davies had been elected as Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Piloty commented on the great success of the TC 6 in-depth Symposium on “Local Computer Networks”, April 1982, Florence, Italy with more than 500 participants. The Proceedings would be available shortly from North-Holland.

Mr. Piloty recalled that TC 6 had placed WG 6.1 “International Packet Switching for Computer Sharing” under review. TC 6 had subsequently decided to apply a new title with revised Scope and Aims and to appoint a new Chairman, Mr. Sunshine. Mr. Goldsworthy confirmed that APC agreed to the recommended changes as follows:

WG 6.1 “Architecture and Protocols for Computer Networks”

Scope: WG 6.1 will identify and study the problems associated with the development of communications protocols to support various applications within a distributed environment of open systems.

Aims:

- 1) Foster the production of working papers and effect their distribution.
- 2) Organize or sponsor working conferences, workshops, panels, and similar technical forums.

- 3) Provide a framework for the launching of new activities, such as: evaluation of proposed standards, reviewing the applicability of new technologies, or comparing different approaches to communications architectures.
- 4) Promote the exchange of information on specification, verification, implementation and testing of protocols.
- 5) Foster development, testing and evaluation of protocols suitable for wide area large band with multi-points communications channels, such as communications satellites.
- 6) Identify problems and provide solutions to the interconnection of a variety of independently administered networks. Relevant study areas include naming, addressing, routing and protocol translation.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the new title and revised Scope and Aims of WG 6.1 and NOTED the appointment of Mr. Sunshine as Chairman, with its thanks to the previous Chairman, Mr. McKenzie.

Referring to the 'under consideration' WG 6.3 "Human-Computer Interaction" and Task Group established at the 1981 Dublin General Assembly to evaluate the situation, Mr. Piloty said Mr. Goldsworthy would present the outcome within the framework of the Activity Planning Committee report (refer Agenda item 11.1).

Mr. Piloty requested approval of the following events and loan requests:

- WG 6.1 / INRIA Symposium on "Satellite and Computer Communications", 27-29 April 1983, Versailles, France. Proceedings to be published by North-Holland.
- WG 6.1 WC on "Protocol Specification, Testing and Verification", early June 1983, Zürich, Switzerland. Proceedings to be published by North-Holland. (Loan – SFr. 2,000).
- TC 6 WC on "Interconnected High Performance Personal Computing System", 18-22 June 1983, Tromso, Norway. Proceedings to be published by North-Holland.
- WG 6.5 WC on "Messaging Systems", 1983, U.S.A. (Loan – SFr. 3,000)

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED these events and loans in the overall 1983 IFIP Budget.

Mr. Zemanek raised a query as to the publisher of the Proceedings of the WG 6.5 WC and previous week's South African Conference.

The President queried the status of the TC 6 / WG 7.3 Gen. Conf. on "Performance of Computer Communication Systems" being organized in Switzerland and was advised this would be presented by the TC 7 Chairman (refer Agenda item 9.5).

The President thanked Mr. Piloty for presenting Mr. Danthine's report and expressed his congratulations on the latter's re-election as TC 6 Chairman.

9.5 TC 7 (System Modelling and Optimization)

Mr. Stoer referred to his Annual Report and to an addendum which had been distributed to the General Assembly participants.

Mr. Stoer commented on the successful WG 7.1 Working Conferences which had taken place end September 1981 / Rome, Italy; January 1982 / Bangalore, India; February 1982 / Cocoyoc, Mexico; July 1982 / Moscow, U.S.S.R and August – September 1982 / Ghent, Belgium. The Proceedings of these Conferences were being published by either North-Holland or Springer. Mr. Stoer was complimented on TC 7's wide-spread activities which included developing countries.

In reply to a query of Mr. Wolbers as to why some of the TC 7 Proceedings were published by Springer when North-Holland was the official IFIP publisher, Mr. Stoer stated that TC 7 had a pre-history, not an IFIP history, so it continued its already-established series with Springer.

Preparations for the TC 7 11th IFIP Gen. Conf. on “System Modelling and Optimization”, 25-29 July 1983, Copenhagen, Denmark were well underway. The resulting Proceedings, to be edited by Mr. Thoft-Christensen the local organizer, would be published by Springer.

Mr. Stoer drew attention to the revised title of the WG 7.1 WC scheduled for 12-17 September 1983 in Baku, U.S.S.R. – namely, “Stochastic Filtering and Control”.

Mr. Stoer advised that TC 7, at its 30 August 1982 meeting in Ghent, Belgium, had decided to submit the following changes for the approval of the General Assembly:

- Mr. Kobayashi as Chairman of WG 7.3 (succeeding Mr. Gelenbe)
- Mr. Herzog as Vice-Chairman of WG 7.3 (succeeding Mr. Kobayashi)
- Mr. Sevcik as Secretary of WG 7.3 (succeeding Mr. Herzog)

Additionally, TC 7 proposed the following new members for WG 7.3 – Messrs. Agrawala, Fayolle, Graham and Kritzinger, and Mr. Vermeulen for WG 7.1.

Mr. Stoer also requested approval of the following Conferences and certain financial requests:

- WG 7.1 WC on “Recent Advances in System Theory and Optimization”, 10-14 January 1983, Hanoi, Vietnam (Grant – SFr. 2,000)
- WG 7.1 WC on “Stochastic Programming, Algorithms and Applications”, September 1983, Gargnano, Italy
- WG 7.3 / TC 6 Gen. Conf. on “Performance of Computer Communication Systems”, 21-23 March 1984, Zürich Switzerland. (Loan – SFr. 4,000, with possibility of conversion into a grant).
- WG 7.1 WC on “Recent Advances in Modelling and Optimization”, 27-31 July 1984, Santiago, Chile.
- WG 7.1 WC on “Stochastic Differential Systems”, September 1984, Visegrad, Hungary.
- WG 7.1 WC on “Mathematical Modelling in Immunology”, July 1985, Moscow, U.S.S.R. or Vienna, Austria. (Loan – SFr. 2,000, but not for 1983)
- TC 7 12th IFIP Gen. Conf. on “System Modelling and Optimization”, 2-6 September 1985, Budapest, Hungary.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the TC 7 Report with thanks to Mr. Stoer, congratulations to the newly-appointed WG 7.3 Officers and thanks to the outgoing Officers. The aforementioned grant and loan requests, as well as the TC 7 Operating expenses request, were approved in the overall 1983 IFIP Budget.

9.6 TC 8 (Information Systems)

Mr. Glaser recalled that Mr. Verrijn Stuart was currently leading the Dutch expedition in the Himalayas and Mr. Bracchi, the Italian TC 8 representative, would speak on his behalf.

Mr. Bracchi referred to Mr. Verrijn Stuart's Annual Report and remarked that TC 8 had organized three Working Conferences during the reporting period. The first, a combined WG 8.1 and WG 8.2 WC on “Evolutionary Information Systems”, September 1981, Budapest, Hungary, had attracted over 50 people and the Proceedings had been published early in 1982. The second – “Automated Tools of IS Design and Development”, January 1982, New Orleans U.S.A. – was the first end-product of a Task Group which had been established 14 years beforehand on “Information Systems Engineering”. The

Conference had been successful and attended by more than 100 professionals from 15 countries, although mainly from U.S.A. A reasonable surplus had been realized. Mr. Bracchi confirmed that the Proceedings had already been published.

Regarding the third event – the WG 8.1 WC on “Comparative Review of IS Design Methodologies”, May 1982, Noordwijkerhout, the Netherlands, this had been a very successful activity with around 130 participants. The Proceedings had also been published. Mr. Bracchi added that the purpose of this “CRIS” Conference was to ‘take stock’ of the various design methodologies. ‘How to compare’ and ‘what to synthesize’ would be the subjects of the two follow-up Conferences in this series, namely – “Feature Analysis of IS Design Methodologies”, 5-7 July 1983, York, U.K. and “Synthesis of Alternative Methodologies for IS Design” (exact time and place to be established). Mr. Bracchi advised that two activities had been established in follow-up of the New Orleans and Noordwijkerhout events – namely, a Task Group on Information Systems Engineering and an Ad Hoc CRIS Committee.

Mr. Bracchi stated that the new Working Group 8.3 “Decision Support Systems” had held its first WC near Vienna, 19-21 July 1982. Entitled “Processes and Tools for Decision Support”, 45 persons from mainly outside TC 8 had attended. He added that new people from the field of managerial science were being attracted to the IFIP family.

TC 8 had held its last meeting in Leiden, the Netherlands on 16 May 1982. Mr. Olle was re-elected European Secretary, but Mr. Metaxides indicated he would resign as North-American Secretary.

Mr. Bracchi announced that the already-approved WG 8.2 WC on “A Multiperspective View on the Development of Information Systems” had been rescheduled to take place in August 1983, Minnesota, U.S.A. Potential participants would be unlikely to consider attending Congress 83. The APC Chairman had concurred.

Mr. Bracchi said TC 8 sought approval of a WG 8.3 WC on “Representing Managerial Knowledge for Decision – Support Systems”, July 1984, Durham, U.K. A loan request of SFr. 3,000 was already included in the 1983 IFIP Budget. The Conference would have three main themes: How to represent organizational knowledge for DSS; How to structure managers’ “soft” knowledge for DSS; How to make DSS adaptive and friendly.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the event.

Referring to the Joint ‘Open’ Conferences – based on “CRIS” WC material (which procedure was approved at the 1981 Dublin GA), Mr. Bracchi confirmed the success of such Conferences which had recently taken place in Oslo and Stockholm and had respectively attracted approximately 230 and 38 participants. It was felt that IFIP’s activities had been promoted in a highly visible way.

Mr. Bracchi said TC 8 now sought approval to hold a similar ‘Open’ CRIS Conference, organized by WG 8.1 and TC 8, in Portugal in 1983 – exact date to be established.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the event.

Mr. Bracchi inferred there would be an event in April 1984 in Sydney, Australia in cooperation with the Australian Computer Society which would provide partial support to the speakers in the same way as it assisted TC 6.

Mr. Bracchi informed that the three Working Groups had held well-attended meetings (WG 8.3 / August 1981, WG 8.2 / April 1982, WG 8.1 / May 1982) and the discussions had been most stimulating. In brief, TC 8 and its WG’s had been well established and a fourth WG on “Office Automation” would soon be proposed.

Mr. Bracchi recalled that Mr. Verrijn Stuart’s second term as TC 8 Chairman would expire shortly. However, at the May 1982 meeting, the TC 8 members indicated a great willingness to allow Mr. Verrijn Stuart to continue in this position, at least temporarily, in view of his capability and the energy and time he had always devoted to TC 8 during his two terms as Chairman. In the meantime, TC 8 had arranged the mechanism for a Vice-Chairman who would eventually become the new Chairman. Mr. Brookes, the Australian representative to TC 8, was acting as Nominations Officer and currently polling among the members.

Mr. Glaser pointed out that Mr. Verrijn Stuart had invited the TC 8 members – one year in advance of the election time – to produce a candidate, but there had been no success. Mr. Glaser, therefore, proposed suspending Bylaw 4.2.3 (which forbids a third term as Chairman) in respect of Mr. Verrijn Stuart and allow him to continue until 31 December 1983. Mr. Goldsworthy was sympathetic to the problem and felt he should continue, but did not think a Bylaw could be suspended and several GA Members concurred. He consequently moved that, due to the inability of TC 8 to nominate a Chairman, the General Assembly would ask Mr. Verrijn Stuart to act as Chairman of TC 8 until the next Chairman had been appointed and no later than 31 December 1983.

General Assembly unanimously ADOPTED the motion.

Mr. Glaser confirmed he would advise Mr. Verrijn Stuart accordingly. The President added IFIP's appreciation of Mr. Verrijn Stuart's untiring efforts. Action

Mr. Glaser mentioned that a review of TC 8 was underway and it was hoped to report on same at the next Council Meeting in March 1983.

Mr. Bracchi remarked that TC 8's budget requests had been approved in the overall 1983 IFIP Budget.

The President thanked Mr. Bracchi for presenting the TC 8 report and Mr. Glaser for his Cognizant activity.

9.7 TC 9 (Relationship between Computers and Society)

Mr. Melbye referred to Mr. Brotherton's Annual Report. He remarked that 9 out of the 23 members had attended the last TC 9 meeting in Amsterdam on 19 February 1982. This had been preceded by a WG 9.1 meeting with 8 of its 22 members present. WG 9.2 had likewise met during the same period, but he ignored the participation figure.

Mr. Melbye felt that visible activity was relatively low and regretted that TC 9 had had to suspend its Newsletter which had been very well received. This was due to the extreme demands made on the voluntary editors. He added that, in general, there was only one event per year. Nevertheless, in November 1981, the TC 9 Vice-Chairman, Mr. Margulies, had addressed an international gathering of top managers at the Computer Users' Conference of a major equipment manufacturer where his paper on "Computers and Work" had been very well received.

Mr. Melbye advised that, the previous day, he had visited Rive del Sole where a WG 9.1 WC on "System Design for and with the Users" was taking place. The Attendance was fairly good – 80 people whereas only 60 had been expected. The Proceedings would be ready for printing in January 1983.

Mr. Melbye indicated that in March 1983, Austria, TC 9 would hold a joint venture with TC 3 – a Workshop on "Education for a more effective Interface between System Design and Organizations". (Previously approved at the 1981 Dublin GA with a slightly different title.) TC 9's 1984 event would also be in cooperation with TC 3 and he recalled the 1981 Dublin GA-approved WC on "Evidence of Social Change caused by Computers in Education", April 1984, Toronto.

The 3rd Conference on "Human Choice and Computers" was scheduled to take place September 1985 in Stockholm. The preparations were well underway and the TC 9 U.S.A. representative, Mr. Sackmann, headed the Programme Committee. Approval of this event would be requested at the 1983 General Assembly.

Mr. Melbye was sorry to report that the TC 9 Vice-Chairman, Mr. Margulies, had resigned at the Amsterdam meeting due to pressure of many other interests. Additionally, in July 1982, the TC 9 Chairman, Mr. Brotherton, had informed the Committee of his decision to resign due to health reasons and other activities which he had not foreseen when accepting the Chairmanship the previous year. Mr. Melbye stated the main reason of his visit to Riva del Sole was to discuss the situation with those TC 9 members attending the WG 9.1 WC. He had encountered 5 of the 23 members and, in addition, spoken with the Australian and Bulgarian representatives currently present as GA Members. Several suggestions for the new TC 9 Chairman had been put forward. Mr. Melbye said he had proposed to the previous Vice-Chairman, Mr. Margulies, to act as Chairman until the next meeting of the Committee in September 1983 at which occasion a proper recommendation could be presented. The reactions from those members present in Riva del Sole were very positive and Mr. Melbye confirmed he would discuss the proposal with Mr. Brotherton in early October 1982.

Action

He would subsequently ensure that this would be communicated to TC 9 members along with the procedure for the appointment by the President of a new Chairman upon the recommendation of TC 9.

Action

Mr. Melbye said he was happy that Mr. Margulies would act as Chairman until September 1983, and he would keep the President informed on the developments.

Mr. Melbye advised that the Review of TC 9 would be postponed until a new Chairman had been appointed.

In conclusion, Mr. Melbye said there was some need for strengthening TC 9's activities and clarification of procedures and he would, as Cognizant Officer, do his best to improve the liaison. He believed IFIP needed someone to cover the area which was the responsibility of TC 9.

General Assembly NOTED the comments of Mr. Melbye.

The President expressed his appreciation of Mr. Melbye's efforts and particularly for visiting the WG 9.1 WC in Riva del Sole.

9.8 TC 10 (Digital Systems Design)

Mr. Aspinall stated that, over the years, TC 10 had found it impossible to hold more than one meeting a year. Four of its most active members came from countries remote from Europe and found it difficult to attend. TC 10's last meeting had taken place in July 1982, just prior to the deadline for the Annual Report. It was noted that certain members had been conspicuous by their absence and failure to reply to correspondence – namely, Finland, Hungary and Italy. Mr. Aspinall confirmed he would be contacting them again later in the year.

Mr. Aspinall advised that most of the work of TC 10 was carried out by its Working Groups. WG 10.1, 2, 4 and 5 were working well, but WG 10.3 was still in an unsatisfactory state.

Regarding WG 10.1, Mr. Blaauw, the founder Chairman, had not wished to re-stand, so the Group elected Mr. Giloi as its Chairman, effective January 1982. Mr. Aspinall wished to thank Mr. Blaauw for establishing WG 10.1 and confirmed it was a difficult task to keep it active.

TC 10 requested approval of a WG 10.1 WC on "Methodology of Computer Systems Design", 15-17 September 1983, Paris. WG 10.1 had previously held a Workshop, but this was its first WC (Loan request – SFr. 5,000).

WG 10.2 had been active for some time informed Mr. Aspinall and its Officers: Chairman Barbacci, Vice-Chairman Borriore and Secretary Hartenstein had been elected for a further term, effective February 1982. WG 10.2's next event was the 1981 Dublin GA-approved 6th International Symposium on "Computer Hardware Description Languages and their Application", 23-25 May 1983, Pittsburgh, Pa. The closing date of the Call for Papers was the previous week and a great deal of interest had been shown.

Mr. Aspinall stated that the WG 10.3 Officers had not been reconfirmed in their positions and Mr. Reijns, who was keen and eager to rescue the situation, had been appointed Chairman, effective July 1982. There was a lot of work to be done and several of the TC 10 members were going to assist Mr. Reijns to rekindle WG 10.3.

WG 10.4 was very active under the Chairmanship of Mr. Avizienis. It was organizing with IEEE the 13th Int. Symposium on "Fault Tolerant Computing", 28-30 June 1983, Milan (approved at the 1981 Dublin GA) and now sought approval to organize with IEEE the 14th Symposium in this series in June 1984, Florida, U.S.A.

Mr. Aspinall recalled that WG 10.5 was founded at the 1981 Dublin GA and held its first meeting in April 1982 in Grenoble. It was very successful and followed by an informal Workshop on "The Objectives of CAD for VLSI" with a participation of 50 people. The General Assembly was very timely in establishing this Working Group as there is a sign of much activity in the area of Very Large Scale Integration.

Mr. Aspinall sought approval of the following events:

- WG 10.5 Open Conference on “Very Large Scale Integration – VLSI 84”, 18-21 August 1984, California, U.S.A. (Loan request of SFr. 6,000).
- WG 10.5 Open Conference on “Very Large Scale Integration – VLSI 85”, July / August 1985, Tokyo, Japan.

In conclusion Mr. Aspinall said TC 10 was trying to decide what to do about an activity which it wished to hold in the first quarter of 1984 in connection with the “Systems to Support 5th Generation of Computers”. TC 10 felt it was its responsibility to bring this subject into IFIP. It was deliberating whether to hold a Working or an Open Conference in this respect. Mr. Aspinall implied that TC 10 might be seeking some help or decision prior to the next Council Meeting.

General Assembly NOTED the report and unanimously APPROVED these events. (the loan requests and TC 10 budget were approved in the overall 1983 IFIP Budget.)

The President thanked Mr. Aspinall for his presentation and welcomed the fact that, despite being the newest Technical Committee, TC 10 was very active and growing fast.

10. IMIA

Mr. Shires referred to his Annual Report and mentioned that IMIA had held its last Board Meeting in Srinagar, India in April 1982 at the invitation of the Computer Society of India. He announced that an IMIA General Assembly Meeting was taking place the next week in Melbourne at the invitation of the Australian Computer Society. An International Seminar on “Health Informatics” had been organized simultaneously and several IMIA members would be giving presentations at the event.

Mr. Shires recalled that, following the close-down of the IFIP Foundation, the IMIA Secretariat had been transferred to Almere-Stad (a new town near to Amsterdam) and it was functioning well under the direction of Mr. Gundersen. The IMIA Secretariat was also in charge of the administrative work for MEDINFO 83.

Mr. Shires commented on IMIA’s 1981 Working Groups: WG 1 “Information Science and Medical Education”; WG 2 “Application of New Technology to Health Informatics”; WG 3 “E.C.G. Computerized Applications”; WG 4 “Data Security and Confidentiality”; WG 5 “Computers in the Doctor’s Office” and added that WG 6 “The Role of Informatics in the Classification and Coding of Health Data” had been created under the Chairmanship of Mr. Cote of Canada. This new WG was looking into the impact of informatics on new international codes and classification systems of health care. Two further Working Groups had been proposed – namely, “Biomedical Pattern Recognition” and “Health Informatics for the Disabled” and these would be reviewed at the upcoming IMIA General Assembly Meeting. Mr. Shires indicated that a new resolution had been introduced at the Indian Board Meeting to the effect that if any Working Group had not produced a report of its activities of the preceding year, it would be considered inactive and discontinued. This would be presented as a motion at the Australian GA Meeting.

Mr. Shires commented on the very successful Conferences which had taken place in the latter half of 1981: “Hospital Statistics for Population Based Health Care and Epidemiology” / Brussels; “Computer Technology Impact on Drug Information” / Uppsala and “Use of Computers in Aiding the Disabled” / Haifa. The Haifa Conference Proceedings had recently become available.

With the sponsorship of WHO, IMIA had organized a WC on “Health Informatics and Developing Countries” in February 1982 in Mexico City. It had been extremely successful from a scientific point of view – approximately 400 participants from 35 countries had discussed and analyzed the problems and perspectives of the application of health informatics in developing countries. It had, however, made a loss of SFr. 5,000 for IMIA which Mr. Shires termed as a “forgivable loan”. Notwithstanding, a great interest had been expressed in the Proceedings which were due to be published in the next 2-3 months. The Regional Office of WHO was interested in translating same into the Spanish language. Follow-up Conferences would take place in cooperation with WHO.

Mr. Shires mentioned that the EFMI Annual European Congress on “Medical Informatics Europe”, March 1982, Dublin had been both scientifically and financially successful with around 1,000 participants. The June 1983, Stockholm WC on “Communications Networks on Health Care” had also been successful. A further two Conferences had taken place in the last three weeks – namely, “Data Protection and Health Information Systems” / Kiel, F.R.G. and “Nursing Informatics” / Harrogate, U.K. – the results of which would be reported on at a later date.

Due to 1983 being a MEDINFO year, Mr. Shires advised there would be only one WC. This would take place 21-25 March 1983 in Chamonix, France on the subject of “Education in Medical Informatics”.

Mr. Shires mentioned that the next IMIA Board Meeting was scheduled for the last week of March 1983 in Prague, C.S.S.R. and, in line with IMIA’s policy, the 1983 IMIA General Assembly Meeting would be convened at the time of the MEDINFO Congress – August 1983 in Amsterdam.

Mr. Shires confirmed that North-Holland had collected a series of reviews on IMIA publications which were extremely positive. He added that Mr. Gundersen was preparing a new brochure describing IMIA’s activities.

Mr. Shires informed that the revised IMIA Bylaws had been approved at the Indian Board Meeting and would be presented at the forthcoming IMIA GA Meeting.

Good relations had been established with various international organizations: WHO, IBI, World Medical Association, Council for International Organizations of Medical Science, and approaches had been made to the International Hospital Association for bilateral affiliation.

Mr. Shires presented the IMIA budget for 1983 showing an income of SFr. 95,000 (which included a projected MEDINFO surplus of SFr. 60,000) and expenses in the region of SFr. 45,000.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the IMIA budget for 1983 and NOTED the report with thanks to Mr. Shires.

Mr. Shires expressed his thanks to IFIP for its help and support of IMIA and, in particular, to Cognizant Officer Finch for his continued encouragement and assistance.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

11.1 Activity Planning Committee

Mr. Goldsworthy commented on the APC meeting which had just taken place in Rome and presented his extensive report (GA Rome 82 – APC-1) containing the results of the ABC deliberations.

When he became Chairman of APC about one year ago, Mr. Goldsworthy said he had been unable to locate any document which clearly defined the role of APC. He had, therefore, drafted a Charter which had been considered by APC and the 1982 Helsinki Council. He recalled that the Future Policy Committee had been disbanded at the 1981 Dublin GA and APC had been asked to take over the on-going functions which had also been included in the proposed Charter.

Mr. Goldsworthy indicated that the Charter had been designed to promote the role of APC within IFIP as being a source of action and innovation and recommended approval of same.

General Assembly APPROVED, with one abstention, the Activities Planning Committee Charter (Appendix 1 of APC-1).

Concurrent with the new Charter, it had been felt necessary to review the ‘modus vivendi’ of APC. As a result, Mr. Goldsworthy advised that certain of the Committee members had been charged with portfolios and the responsibility of monitoring and reporting back to APC on the respective activities – namely:

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| - | New Initiatives | | Mr. le Roux |
| - | TC’s, WG’s, SIG’s | | Mr. Goldsworthy |
| - | Reviews | | Mr. Glaser |
| - | Affiliates and Sponsorship | | Mr. Finch |

Mr. Goldsworthy remarked that APC was aware that the International Joint Committee for Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI) was seeking Affiliate Membership with IFIP. It was, however, felt there could well be other initiatives which IFIP should be taking in this and related fields. Consequently, Mr. Goldsworthy recommended that a Task Group be established under the Chairmanship of Mr., Dorodnicyn to determine how this area of interest might be more actively pursued and promoted within IFIP.

General Assembly APPROVED the recommendation, with two abstentions.

Mr. Goldsworthy recalled that Mr. Finch had been appointed Chairman of Task Force II at the 1981 Dublin GA to assess how IFIP might engage in the area of EDP Security. The Task Force was also to assist in organizing an International Conference on "Security and Privacy", 16-19 May 1983 in Stockholm. Mr. Goldsworthy added that the objectives of the Conference were: to promote the discipline of computer security as a profession; to define the importance of security and privacy for organizations and for society and to provide an international forum on the subject of computer security. The Call for Papers had already been issued with a deadline of 1 December 1982.

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Mr. Finch wished to compliment the Swedish Society for Information Processing (SSI) on its efforts to bring about this event. He called upon the GA Members for their support.

Mr. Goldsworthy indicated that the Conference Steering Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Svenonius (C74 OC Chairman) and comprising PC Chairman Finch, OC Chairman Beckman, Swedish GA Member Hernaes, and representatives of SSI, the Swedish Government and Honeywell-Bull, would continue as the Task Force to investigate the desirability or otherwise of establishing a TC or some other mechanism for this activity.

Action

A report would be presented to the 1983 Paris GA on action proposed.

Mr. Finch introduced OC Chairman Beckman who advised that a copy of the Call for Papers and a Press Release had been distributed to all General Assembly participants. Mr. Beckman stated that the Conference, the first of its kind, was referred to as "IFIP / SEC '83" and hoped to attract over 200 worldwide participants such as professionally active security people, EDP auditors and office heads responsible for security matters. Mr. Beckman underlined the large promotional efforts which were in force. The President thanked Mr. Beckman for his briefing.

Mr. Goldsworthy informed that a detailed proposal on suggested IFIP activities in the field of Governmental and Municipal Data Processing had been prepared by Mr. Chevion and referred to APC for examination. APC agreed that IFIP should be involved in this area, but felt the descriptor "Public Sector" was a more suitable apolitical term. APC believed the forthcoming First Int. Conf. on "GM DP", 23-25 February 1983, Vienna should be used to gauge the extent of support for and interest in the topic area.

Action

APC had, therefore, agreed that Mr. le Roux would report to the next APC meeting on the outcome of this Conference together with recommendations as to the future directions IFIP might take.

Mr. Chevion said he was quite satisfied with the recommendations of APC and agreed to the broader sense of the descriptor.

Action

He confirmed that a report evaluating the Vienna Conference would be submitted to Mr. le Roux just after the event. Regarding the Conference, Mr. Chevion announced there would be 4 invited papers, 36 submitted papers from 15 countries and 2 panels. The Proceedings would be published by North-Holland.

Action

He added that the Programme Brochure would be distributed at the end of the month and called on all GA Members to assist in advertising same as he knew there was a public interested in the subject areas. The President thanked Mr. Chevion for his comments.

Mr. Zich added that the Conference OC had requested that the IFIP loan be converted into a grant, the reason being that the Conference had not received as many grants and subsidies as had been expected. He recalled that the 1980 Melbourne GA had originally approved a grant of SFr. 8,000 which had been replaced by the 1981 Dublin GA approved loan of SFr. 10,000. In point of fact, SFr. 8,000 had actually been subsequently requested and duly remitted to the Conference OC by IFIP.

Action

General Assembly APPROVED, with five abstentions, the conversion of the loan (SFr. 8,000) into a grant.

Commenting on a previous suggestion that 'IFIP should give consideration to the more general topic of information at societal, institutional and personal levels', Mr. Goldsworthy said this clearly addressed one of IFIP's aims – 'to stimulate research, development and application of Information Processing in science and human activity'

Action

The matter was being followed up and a report would be presented to the 1983 Beijing Council.

Mr. Goldsworthy recalled it had been suggested to have a more precise definition of the criteria relevant to the various types of IFIP events. Mr. le Roux had prepared a document (Appendix 2 of the APC-1 report) and Mr. Goldsworthy recommended that the set of definitions and guidelines be adopted.

With two slight alterations, General Assembly unanimously ADOPTED the document (Copies available from the IFIP Secretariat).

Mr. Goldsworthy recalled the suggestion that IFIP should establish a relationship with OECD and, in particular, with its Working Party on "Information, Computer and Communications Policy". The matter was being pursued by ICIL and, in fact, ICIL Vice-Chairman Fourot would be meeting with an OECD representative the following month.

Commenting on the revision of TC and WG Aims and Scopes – as it had been felt that the existing statements were no longer appropriate - Mr. Goldsworthy advised that TC 2's had been revised (refer Agenda item 9.1). No response had been forthcoming from TC 3, but Mr. Narasimhan intervened that a revision would take place during the current TC 3 Review. No response received from TC 5. Mr. Goldsworthy continued that TC 6's was to have been presented to the Rome GA; however, this was not the case except for WG 6.1 (refer Agenda item 9.4). TC 7's was to have been completed during its August 1982 meeting, but no feedback had been received. TC 8's would be revised during the TC 8 Review and TC9's would remain unchanged. As to TC 10, the only change concerned WG 10.4 (refer 1981 Dublin GA Minutes, Agenda item 11.8).

Mr. Goldsworthy drew attention to a recommendation of the ex-Future Policy Committee to urge TC Chairmen to seek nominations from Affiliate Members for a representative to become an Affiliate Member of the TC in keeping with Bylaw 4.2.2. The TC Chairmen had been duly contacted as it had been felt that an interchange between IFIP and its Affiliate Members would enable the latter to play a more meaningful and active role in IFIP activities. To-date, TC 3 had approached IASC and IAPR, TC 6 had contacted ICCG and TC 10 had entered into relations with Euromicro.

Mr. Goldsworthy recalled that several recommendations had been adopted as part of the Future Policy Committee report presented to the 1981 Dublin GA which required further action. He confirmed that the matter of providing more effective and stronger links between IFIP and non-IFIP groups dealing with application areas was under investigation. How to improve communication and publication of TC and WG meetings was also being pursued. It was felt that SIG's should not become Affiliate Members.

As to ways of relieving the General Assembly of non-policy type decisions, APC recommended the approval of the following guidelines – being a framework within which APC could process and approve individual events rather than bring them to the GA –

'That the Activity Planning Committee be authorized to approve activities proposed by TC's, WG's or other IFIP bodies. This approval authority includes the authority to loan up to SFr. 20,000 for such activity and up to SFr. 200,000 in the aggregate for all activities proposed in each fiscal year. APC's authority, however, does not include the authority to approve an activity which is expected to result in a deficit, nor does it include the authority to make grants. In all cases, decision by APC can be appealed to the General Assembly if the appropriate Chairman should be dissatisfied with the APC decision.'

Following a later discussion on the loan / grants question, General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the guidelines with the following additions: 'APC may approve individual grants of up to SFr. 8,000.' 'The Treasurer should be involved for budgeting and cash-flow planning.'

APC believed that one of the fundamental purposes of the General Assembly was not being achieved – in that no specific provision was made in the Agenda for Members to present their individual problems and concerns, their requests and suggestions. Mr. Goldsworthy, therefore, recommended that Member Societies be positively encouraged to identify and raise such matters during General Assemblies, and that time be specifically provided on the Agenda for such discussion.

Action

General Assembly APPROVED the recommendation, with one objection and four abstentions.

Mr. Goldsworthy further recommended that, to provide time for such discussions, final budgetary decisions be taken by the Council and not discussed at length at GA as was the current practice.

Following suspension of the word 'final', General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the recommendation.

Mr. Goldsworthy announced that he had recently received a letter from SADIO (Argentine Member Society) seeking assistance for a Congress being organized in April 1983 in Buenos Aires, and had been assured it was perceived as a Latin-American regional event. SADIO has requested support in the form of two speakers, with all expenses paid by IFIP, who would develop the subjects of major interest for the Congress (Data-Transmission Networks, Development of a Hardware and Software Industry, etc.). This would enhance the Congress and attract additional participants. Mr. Goldsworthy felt SFr. 10,000 would seem an appropriate amount and would help Mr. Basso Dastugue, the Argentine representative, to answer questions raised by his Society such as "why do we belong to IFIP?", "what benefits do we derive from IFIP?"

Mr. Basso Dastugue endorsed the comments of Mr. Goldsworthy and felt this was the right opportunity to receive some help from IFIP in order to show not only Argentina, but Members of different Latin-American countries participating in the event.

Mr. Basso Dastugue advised that "USUARIA '83" – the First National Congress of Users of Informatics – would hold in parallel the First International Exhibition of Informatics Equipment and various Workshops and Seminars. He added that IBI had promised to sponsor this activity. In reply to a query of Mr. Glaser, Mr. Basso Dastugue mentioned that the other countries involved included Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Peru and Uruguay.

Mr. Longe strongly supported the request and felt it could be handled under the aegis of ICID.

Mr. Goldsworthy moved that SFr. 10,000, in the form of a grant, be given to support "USUARIA '83", April 1983, Buenos Aires. As the ICID Chairman, Mr. Kalman, felt enough information was available to approach Unesco for funding under the ICID flag, this event was included in the ICID programme.

Mr. Goldsworthy said APC recommended that IFIP regional events be organized in Latin America and Africa as soon as possible.

General Assembly APPROVED, with three abstentions, that IFIP regional events be organized in Latin America and Africa within the next two years.

Mr. Goldsworthy stated that Standing Order 2.2.1.2 referred to a document "IFIP Policy on Working Conferences" available from the IFIP Secretariat. The only document available had been a draft prepared in 1973 which had never been finalized nor approved. He had, therefore, revised and circulated same to APC members and TC Chairmen for their comments, etc. Mr. Goldsworthy, therefore, moved that the "IFIP Policy on Working Conferences" (Appendix 4 of the APC report) be approved, bearing in mind that the Policy was reasonably broad and flexible. TC 10 Chairman Aspinall found the Policy to be extremely helpful.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the document - "IFIP Policy on Working Conferences" dated January 1982

Mr. Goldsworthy recalled that the question of travelling expenses and financing had been raised at the 1981 Dublin GA and discussed at length at the 1982 Helsinki Council and in APC: It was, therefore, recommended that the policy be that TC Chairmen might provide for travel funds as appropriate within their budgets, up to a limit of SFr. 5,000 per annum, and the necessary changes be made to the wording of the Statutes and Bylaws and the Standing Orders. Mr. Goldsworthy added that TC Chairmen were a very important feature of IFIP and IFIP must accept the fact that they were responsible people. He highlighted that it was extremely difficult for some of them to find travel funds and, in fact, one TC Chairman could only accept re-appointment if some funds were available. Mr. Dalton remarked that the Finance Committee fully supported the ideas.

Action

Following discussion, General Assembly APPROVED the recommendation, with two abstentions.

Mr. Goldsworthy also recalled that an associated matter discussed at the 1982 Helsinki Council was the proposition to give loans rather than grants and recommended that, as a policy, loans and not grants be made for activities on the basis that activities should normally be budgeted to be self-supporting. Mr. Morris strongly supported this recommendation if it implied that the 'grant' funds could be partially utilized in promoting the work of TC's and WG's. Following some controversial discussion, the President remarked that the proposed policy did not exclude the consideration of grants, if absolutely necessary. He further added that he had never denied assistance from the President's Reserve Account for an event of which he had been aware.

Finally, General Assembly unanimously APPROVED "that as a practice, loans and not grants be made for activities on the basis that activities should normally be budgeted to be self-supporting. In the case of Working Conferences, loans or grants may be considered".

In respect of Conference languages, Mr. Goldsworthy referred to the recommendation adopted at the 1982 Helsinki Council which APC fully supported and now presented to the General Assembly. He felt it should be appropriately included in the Standing Orders.

"The official language of IFIP is English, therefore:

- (a) All papers published and all written presentations must be in English
- (b) Where the activity is in a country where the mother-tongue is not English, special exemption may be sought for oral presentation to be made in that language. This exemption may be granted by the IFIP Cognizant Officer on the grounds of improving communications or the financial results of the activity. A prerequisite to the granting of the exemption is the availability of a proven simultaneous translation system into English. In this case, the cost of the simultaneous translation system cannot be included in the IFIP-approved budget.
- (c) Approval must be obtained prior to the release of the Call for papers.
- (d) Exemptions will only be given in exceptional circumstances. Every encouragement must be given to the use of the official language."

Action

General Assembly APPROVED the recommendation, with one abstention.

Mr. Goldsworthy indicated that the 1980 Melbourne GA had approved the establishment of a Task Group on Office Automation. Mr. Glaser had subsequently agreed to Chair the TG which had produced a report and recommendations. APC proposed that IFIP's Office Automation programme should, at least initially, be centred in a new Working Group within TC 8. Such a structure would lend stability and focus to the programme during its formative years while, at the same time, giving it its own identity.

General Assembly APPROVED the recommendation, with one abstention.

Mr. Goldsworthy added that the Task Group would continue for the purpose of locating a resourceful and energetic leader who was also a recognized authority in the field. Together with that individual, it would then develop the Aims and Scope of the WG together with a schedule of activities for the next few years.

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Mr. Glaser urged all GA Members who were aware of people who could contribute to the formulation of the WG to advise him accordingly.

Regarding TC Reviews, Mr. Goldsworthy announced that a budget provision for this purpose had now been included in the APC 1983 budget.

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In respect of TC 3, the Review Committee was appointed and would report to the 1983 Beijing Council likewise for TC 8.

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As to TC 9, the Review was being postponed until a new Chairman had been nominated.

Mr. Goldsworthy mentioned that suggestions had been made in the past for a Conference Officer who would be concerned with such issues as: who is entitled to organize a WC, conditions of sponsoring, continuity of Conference series, etc. APC had appointed one of its members, Mr. Monteiro, to this position.

Mr. Monteiro presented a Conference Officer Job Charter which was APPROVED by the General Assembly.

Mr. Goldsworthy referred to a proposition of Mr. Zemanek that consideration be given to reviving TC 1 "Terminology". Prof Schneider of the University of Berlin (past WG 8.1 Chairman) had expressed willingness to head TC 1 subject to certain manpower and financial support. North-Holland had also indicated the possibility of raising funds outside IFIP. APC supported the idea, but required further details as well as designed relations with other bodies undertaking similar work before it would be able to make a firm recommendation re TC 1. Mr. Zemanek added that if the project eventually went ahead, Mr. Schneider would need a Committee to help him.

Mr. Goldsworthy reminded that in its report to the 1981 Dublin GA, APC – based on a request of the Publications Committee – had recommended TC's to publish regular State-of-the-Art reports. A suitable mechanism was being sought and input and suggestions would be appreciated. Mr. Zemanek had proposed forming a WG in each TC whose sole role would be to produce such reports. Mr. Dorodnicyn considered the issue very important and felt Mr. Zemanek's proposition could be implemented on an experimental basis with one TC. Mr. Stoer felt it was a difficult task because of the work involved. Mr. Rolstadas advised that interest in this idea had been expressed during the last TC 5 meeting, but the conditions re royalties, etc. had been unclear. Mr. Simoes Monteiro said the conditions of the publishers should be clearly defined before approaching the TC's.

Action

Mr. Zemanek replied that he would ask Springer (which was eager to handle same) to send out a newsletter to all TC Chairmen. Mr. Glaser felt IFIP's ambitions were too high; he suspected that authors feared putting their names on a document which might attract fire from all quarters. Mr. Rolstadas wished to support the idea of some firm guidelines, including financial, and saw no harm in also addressing the WG Chairmen in order to speed up the process. Messrs. Aspinall and Stoer concurred.

Action

Mr. Goldsworthy confirmed that the matter would be further pursued by APC and PC.

Mr. Goldsworthy mentioned that IFIP had been approached by Dr. K.G. Beauchamp of the University of Lancaster to become involved in the field of the History of Information Processing. APC fully supported the idea and recommended the establishment of a Task Force on the History of Information Processing. It should firstly define its terms of reference, paying particular attention to its interaction with existing bodies working in the field and subsequently establish whether there was scope for an independent group within IFIP.

Mr. Goldsworthy, therefore, moved that a Task Force be established on the History of Information Processing under the Chairmanship of Dr. K.G. Beauchamp

General Assembly unanimously ADOPTED the motion

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Mr. Goldsworthy confirmed he would duly take up contact with Dr. Beauchamp.

Mr. Goldsworthy announced that the United Nations had proclaimed 1983 as World Communications Year.

TC 6 and Affiliate Member ICCC were asked to pay particular attention to this as it was felt that IFIP should not only cooperate, but promote the Year. Action

It was also suggested that cognizance should be taken of this in planning the programme and activities for Congress 83 and Mr. Fourot agreed to pass on this information to the concerned parties. Action

Mr. Goldsworthy requested that he be kept aware of any IFIP plans in relation to the World Communications Year. Action

Mr. Goldsworthy recalled that at the 1982 Helsinki Council the question of including the term “Software Engineering” in the TC 2 title had been raised. APC had been requested to review this matter in consultation with TC 2 and Cognizant Officer Lehmann and finally recommended that the current title “Programming” remain unchanged.

General Assembly APPROVED the recommendation, with one objection and one abstention.

Mr. Goldsworthy said it had been suggested on several occasions that IFIP should have a Quarterly Newsletter. The annual Information Bulletin which served a useful purpose was very good, but it was felt there was a gap in informing the community on IFIP activities, etc. APC, therefore, considered there should be a Quarterly Newsletter.

APC member Freeman had agreed to find an Editor for the first two years at least who would develop such a Quarterly Newsletter with the assistance of the IFIP Secretariat, et a1. Action

Mr. Goldsworthy hoped to be able to report further on same at the 1983 Paris General Assembly. Action

Mr. Goldsworthy reminded that for some time there had been a proposed Working Group 6.3 on “Human-Computer Interaction”. After discussing at length, TC 6 felt it should be organized as a TC. TC 6 had approved the proposed Scope and Aims of this Group (refer Appendix 5 of the APC report). Mr. Goldsworthy underlined that APC believed there was a need to establish a continuing interest in this field and recommended the establishment of a Task Group on “Human-Computer Interaction” to investigate and report on how IFIP might most effectively be involved in that area. It was suggested that Prof. B. Shackel, who had been closely involved with the activity for several years, be approached to become the Chairman of this Task Group.

General Assembly unanimously ADOPTED the recommendation.

Mr. Goldsworthy confirmed he would inform Prof. Shackel accordingly. Action

Mr. Rolstadas queried if APC had looked into the possibility of attaching this Group to TC 9. Mr. Goldsworthy replied that it was felt more investigation was needed and was the reason for establishing the Task Group.

This Task Group was planning an International Conference on “Human-Computer Interaction” in August / September 1984 in Europe with an attendance of 500-800 – which APC had included in the IFIP 6-Year Plan.

Mr. Goldsworthy referred to the IFIP 6-Year Plan (Appendix 7 of the APC report) and advised that it would be updated with the further information accumulated during the GA Meeting and duly distributed to concerned parties via the IFIP Secretariat. Action

Following the recent APC and Combined Meetings, as APC Chairman, Mr. Goldsworthy believed there was a need to restructure the planning of APC to bring about the closer involvement of the TC Chairmen.

He invited the TC Chairmen to send him specific comments and suggestions as to how they could most effectively be involved in APC activities. Action

In conclusion, Mr. Goldsworthy moved that an IFIP tie be produced and designed, pointing out that ladies could also utilize same in their dressing.

Action

General Assembly unanimously ADOPTED the motion, and the Public Information Committee was charged with the mission.

The President expressed IFIP's appreciation to Mr. Goldsworthy and his Committee members for the great amount of work which had been undertaken so conscientiously in a short period of time.

Mr. Morris announced that Mr. Goldsworthy had been awarded the prestigious Order of the British Empire (O.B.E.) in Her Majesty the Queen's recent Honours List for his work in the computer field in Australia.

General Assembly CONGRATULATED and APPLAUDED Mr. Goldsworthy.

11.2 Congress Guidelines Committee

There was nothing to report under this Agenda item.

11.3 Finance Committee

Mr. Hernaes referred to his report (GA Rome 82/FC-1) and recalled that the 1981 Dublin GA had authorized the FC Chairman and the Treasurer to reinvest IFIP's assets to take advantage of high interest rates, yet to minimize risks by employing various currencies. Mr. Hernaes confirmed that IFIP had assets in the region of SFr. 750,000; approximately 60% of which were in deposit accounts and 40% in bonds.

Treasurer Dalton had contacted the Swiss Bank Corporation in London (a branch of IFIP's bank in Geneva) to investigate if it could take over the management of IFIP's investments. SBC was willing to do so and FC, therefore, proposed the following investment guidelines:

- 10 % should be available on 60 days' notice maximum
- 30 % on one year's notice
- 60 % on three year's notice
- investment to be at least in three major currencies
- interest rates should reflect current rates and be at least 12%

Mr. Goldsworthy favoured the investments being handled by a bank, but was concerned that the level of security had not been specified which seemed to him of fundamental importance. The President advised that SBC was a very conservative bank.

Mr. Hernaes said FC thought the bank should handle this question, bearing in mind IFIP's terms for the availability of monies. Mr. Goldsworthy considered one could not specify a quantity as an interest rate, but rather relate same to an international index. Mr. Fourot supported the views of Mr. Goldsworthy and proposed that the "12%" be removed. Mr. Goldsworthy suggested that FC and the bank agree upon an index rate. He moved that the bank propose the nature of the securities in which it would invest and that this be approved by the Executive Body.

Action

General Assembly unanimously ADOPTED the motion

The President declared he would seek a second advice prior to approving the list. Other Executive Body Members concurred.

Mr. Hernaes reported that the Dues currently covered approximately 75 % of the administrative cost. On several occasions, the GA had agreed, in principle, that they should cover the entire administrative cost. FC had presented a proposal to this effect to the 1982 Helsinki Council which led it to believe that it would not be well received by the GA and, therefore, now proposed adhering to the rules laid down in Tashkent (refer 1976 Tashkent GA Minutes, Agenda item 12.3).

Action

Mr. Hernaes added that revised Dues would be valid from 1 January 1984, the details of which would be distributed to GA Members at the beginning of 1983.

As mentioned earlier, FC agreed to increase the IFIP 1983 Budget by SFr. 35,000 for eventual TC travel and supported the idea of APC according loans provided the Treasurer was involved for budgeting and cash-flow planning.

General Assembly NOTED the report with thanks to Mr. Hernaes.

11.4 ICIL - IFIP Committee for International Liaison

Mr. Fourot conveyed Mr. Tanaka's apologies for non-attendance and referred to his Annual Report. He recalled that ICIL had the responsibility for interfacing with organizations other than those directly represented in IFIP through the General Assembly.

The President advised that IFIP had been invited to participate in the IFAC 25th Anniversary event on 1 October 1982 in Heidelberg, F.R.G. Mr. Zemanek would be the official IFIP representative and give a speech there.

The President further advised that he would be attending a FIACC meeting on 30 September 1982 and would have to vote on the issue of the World Organization of General Systems and Cybernetics joining FIACC. Negative indications had been received from Australia, France, Japan, U.K, U.S.A. and Switzerland.

Mr. Goldsworthy moved that the President, on behalf of IFIP, vote against admitting the World Organization of General Systems and Cybernetics to FIACC.

General Assembly ADOPTED the motion, with three abstentions.

The President referred to discussions with the Director General of IBI, Mr. Bernasconi, and to possible cooperation in various areas. He added that Mr. Fourot was the IFIP / IBI Liaison Officer and his homologue was the IBI Deputy Director-General, Mr. Ayrault.

11.5 ICID - IFIP Committee: Informatics for Development

Mr. Kalman referred to his Annual Report and to the ICID Review taking place under the Chairmanship of Mr. Dalton with Messrs. Tanaka, Finch and himself as members.

Action

As ICID was rather complex, the preparation of the Review report had taken more time than expected and would be presented to the 1983 Paris General Assembly.

Mr. Kalman announced that during the reporting period, Unesco funding had made it possible for ICID to support participants from developing countries to attend various Seminars, Symposia, etc. in Budapest, Florence, Havana, Ibadan, Kuala Lumpur, Leningrad, Madras, New Delhi, Rio de Janeiro and Tunis. He regretted that a Seminar on "Software Engineering" scheduled to take place in Beijing had had to be cancelled for financial reasons. In spite of a generous contribution promised by the Chinese IFIP Member Society and \$4,000 allocated by Unesco, it had been unable to achieve the \$ 17,000 required for the event. The \$4,000, with Unesco's permission, would be used for another purpose in 1983.

Mr. Kalman indicated that ICID had been instrumental in the publication of two books – namely, "Computers in Developing Nations", Bennett and Kalman and "Computer Applications in Food Production and Agricultural Engineering", Kalman and Martinez.

Mr. Kalman advised that the Swedish and F.R.G. IFIP Member Societies had nominated representatives to the Committee.

With regard to events in 1983, ICID had received a formal request to support an IFAC Symposium on "Systems Approach to Appropriate Technology Transfer", 22-24 March 1983, Laxenburg, Austria. A lower registration fee for Unesco-supported participants was being negotiated in respect of Congress

83. Mr. Kalman hoped that the next ICID meeting could be held at Unesco and recalled that the first one had taken place there under the Chairmanship of Mr. Tanaka when the framework of ICID had been established. He added that, in 1983, ICID should be in a position to have a clear idea of what it wanted to do next and trusted that the Review report would be ready by the time of the meeting scheduled in parallel with Congress 83.

Mr. Kalman referred to the Latin-American regional event being organized by the Argentine IFIP Member Society, 18-23 April 1983 in Buenos Aires (as discussed under Agenda item 11.1) and confirmed this would be included in the ICID programme. He added that he had just received a cable from Sweden; the Royal Institute of Technology sought ICID support for a Regional Cooperation for "Appropriate Utilization in Developing Countries", 14-16 September 1983 in Stockholm.

Mr. Kalman said ICID would like to support the International Esperanto Congress to be organized by the Scientific Centre of the International Esperanto Federation and the Hungarian IFIP Member Society early in 1983 in Budapest. Approximately 300 participants from all over the world were expected to attend. Mr. Glaser did not favour supporting this event, but Mr. Kalman explained it involved computer science and technology.

Mr. Kalman mentioned ICID also wished to cooperate with TC 5 and the Indian Computer Society in the preparation of the Second Conference on "Computer Applications for Food Production and Agricultural Engineering" in 1984 in New Delhi.

Following discussion, General Assembly APPROVED the ICID programme with thanks to Mr. Kalman.

The President introduced Mr. Owolabi who said it was the first time he was participating in an IFIP General Assembly as an Observer representing Unesco and he would like to transmit the best wishes of Unesco. He mentioned that the Unesco Executive Body was currently in session and discussing Unesco's long-range plan, it was hoped that the informatics programme would be strengthened. The President thanked Mr. Owolabi for his comments and trusted that IFIP's good relations with Unesco would continue and expand.

Mr. Finch stated he had met with Mr. Bernasconi at IBI Headquarters the previous day when a number of areas of mutual interest had been discussed. He wished to pass on to the General Assembly Mr. Bernasconi's reminder of the SPIN II Conference (refer Agenda item 1.1).

11.6 Internal Awards Committee

There was nothing to report under this Agenda item.

11.7 Publications Committee

Mr. Zemanek said the Publications Committee had met in April 1982 in Geneva. He drew attention to his report dated 10 September 1982 which included details on books published, the status of books to appear during the next months and a North-Holland promotion brochure on the 1982 IFIP publications. It also contained a detailed Royalties report and break-down figures in respect of 1980 and 1981.

Referring to the IFIP Compact Journal, Mr. Zemanek remarked it had been complicated to get it going. A presentation of some of the elements had taken place in Tokyo during Congress 80. He introduced Ms. Smit of North-Holland who advised that the Journal would eventually be available in both a traditional (paper) version and as an experimental online retrieval system. Mr. Zemanek referred to a letter he had addressed to all GA Members dated 20 September 1982 in which he announced that "the co-sponsoring publisher North-Holland had agreed to undertake a market study with a view to commercial exploitation of the project under the name COMPUTER COMPACTS". He further mentioned that "IFIP, through its TC's and WG's, was providing material for publication in the Journal, but the support of Member Societies was also solicited.

Action

It would be a great help if Member Societies could appoint an editor to act as an interface between the Journal administration and themselves". Mr. Zemanek also referred to the Aims and Scope of the Journal and Information Sheet which had been included in his report. Ms. Smit added that further information could be obtained from Ms. J. Marcure, Journal Manager, North-Holland Publishing Co., P.O. Box 103, 1000 AC Amsterdam.

Referring to the Springer project in respect of IFIP State-of-the-Art reports, Springer foresaw the series not primarily as a result of Working Conferences, but rather prepared or initiated by IFIP WG's as documents presenting the current state of their working area.

In conclusion, Mr. Zemanek said his Committee of ten would be meeting again in March or April 1983, most likely in Amsterdam.

General Assembly NOTED the report with thanks to Mr. Zemanek and to Ms. Smit.

The President underlined the tremendous amount of work involved with the IFIP publications and added his personal appreciation of the activity of Mr. Zemanek and his Committee.

11.8 Public Information Committee

Mr. Morris referred to his Annual Report and advised that a revised "What is IFIP?" leaflet had been published in December 1981. Approximately 3,000 copies had been distributed and more were available;

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he urged the GA participants to use it in increasing the computer world's knowledge of IFIP.

Mr. Morris mentioned that the 16th edition of the IFIP Information Bulletin had come off the press in March 1982 and over 2,000 copies had already been distributed. He considered it was an excellent working tool and many GA Members concurred.

Mr. Morris referred to the project which had been launched following the 1981 Dublin GA: namely, the engagement of a well-respected journalist, former Technology Editor of The Times, London – Kenneth Owen to participate at TC meetings and subsequently write article on the TC activities for a less-specialist audience. The first article on TC 3 "Informatics and Education: IFIP's New Initiatives" had been published in June 1982 followed by an article on TC 6 "Data Communications": IFIP's International 'Network' of Experts" published in August 1982. Mr. Morris added that an article on TC 10 was in preparation and would be published end October / beginning November 1982. Mr. Morris stated that very encouraging feedback on the articles had been received and he called upon the GA Members for their reaction.

Mr. Goldsworthy wished to record the excellent contribution the articles had made to IFIP visibility. The President offered his congratulations to Mr. Morris who was the initiator of the idea and was extremely pleased it had succeeded so well.

Mr. Morris introduced Mr. Owen who was APPLAUDED by the General Assembly.

11.8.1 Presentation on IFIP

Mr. Morris recalled a previous General Assembly request that PIC prepare "IFIP Presentation" material and remarked that a preliminary demonstration had been made at the 1982 Helsinki Council meeting. The comments and suggestions made at the time had been taken into consideration and Mr. Morris now wished to give a 25-coloured Slide Presentation for which he had prepared Lecture Notes. He added that a set of Slides and Lecture Notes had been prepared for every GA Member together with a few 'blank' Slides which could be prepared to introduce their respective Societies, if so desired.

The Presentation was remarkably made by Mr. Morris who received an overwhelming OVATION from the General Assembly. The President stressed that Mr. Morris had produced something over and above what had been expected and the quality and contents were very good.

Action

He considered it an excellent tool for presenting IFIP and trusted the GA Members would use it many times.

11.9 Statutes and Bylaws Committee

Mr. Lehmann referred to his report (GA Rome 82 / SBC-1) and recalled a motion adopted at the 1982 Helsinki Council Meeting in respect of inactive Members – namely, that Statute 3.3 Termination be amended to include that Member Society General Assembly representatives attend GA Meetings or provide a formal proxy. He, therefore, moved to amend Statute 3.3 by item d) if the representatives of a Full Member have not attended the General Assembly Meeting for three consecutive years nor provided proxies.

Discussion ensued during which Mr. Wolbers queried how one should treat the case of a GA Member who attended TC meetings, but not General Assemblies. Mr. Dorodnicyn stated the difficulty of giving a proxy if the proxy-holder did not come from a country with similar doctrines. The President stressed that it was rather difficult to run a Federation when certain Members did not reply to mail during three years. Mr. Finch felt the respective Member Society should be informed and asked to designate another representative.

General Assembly REJECTED the motion (23/3/5).

Mr. Lehmann presented Part 2 of his SBC report concerning new guidelines for the admission of Affiliate Members which had been recommended by the Admissions Committee and approved by GA (refer Agenda item 6 for full details).

Mr. Lehmann said that, in accordance with the new responsibilities and rights of the Activity Planning committee as approved by GA, SBC felt it was necessary to change the APC status – i.e. APC should belong to category a) as defined in Bylaw 4.1. This implied that the Chairman and members of APC must be GA Members. Mr. Goldsworthy mentioned that this would affect TC Chairmen (who were not GA Members) whom APC wished to involve in its activities and felt APC must, consequently, remain in category b). This issue was subsequently dropped.

Mr. Fourot stated that the Council had asked him to present the following unanimously-approved recommendation to the General Assembly – namely, to increase the number of Vice-Presidents by one (to make a total of four Vice-Presidents) and to become applicable starting with the 1983 elections. Mr. Dorodnicyn added that the main idea behind this was to facilitate making the Executive Body more justifiable geographically.

Action

Mr. Lehmann said SBC would present this recommendation to the 1983 Paris GA.

Mr. Lehmann concluded that revised editions of the IFIP Statutes and Bylaws and Standing Orders would be prepared with the assistance of the IFIP Secretariat.

The President thanked Mr. Lehmann and his Committee for their work.

11.10 Ad Hoc Committee IFIP 25th Anniversary

Mr. Zemanek stated that Mr. Bauer had asked him to present his report (GA Rome 82 / IFIP 25th). The latter had conducted a lot of correspondence with his Committee members which had resulted in a number of themes for the event (as spelled out in the report) of which the following would be given high priority: “An assessment of the conception and the position of Information Processing”, “History of IFIP – the first 25 years”, “Man and machine viewed from different cultural backgrounds” and “The future of IFIP”. Mr. Zemanek added that for a one-day Symposium, six lectures were being planned and the selection of themes would finally depend on the availability of first-class speakers and preferably those who had relations with IFIP. Mr. Bauer already had a list of possible speakers, but it was considered too early to divulge same. In reply to Mr. Simoes Monteiro’s query as to whether the lectures would be published, Mr. Zemanek said this was envisaged. The President concluded that the intention of the 25th Anniversary event was to invite as wide an audience as possible.

General Assembly NOTED the report with thanks to Mr. Bauer and to Mr. Zemanek.

12. AFFILIATE MEMBERS

12.1 IAPR

Mr. Freeman referred to his Annual Report and the upcoming 6th International Conference on "Pattern Recognition", 19-22 October 1982, Munich, F.R.G. Over 250 papers (invited, long and short) would be presented to an expected large international audience. For the first time at such a Conference, there would be an exhibition of equipment relevant to the field of pattern recognition.

Mr. Freeman advised that India had joined IAPR, thus bringing up the number of National Memberships to a total of 15. Additionally, four applications for National Membership had been received and would be considered at IAPR's Board Meeting taking place at the time of the aforementioned Conference.

A new Journal "Pattern Recognition Letters" which had the endorsement and backing of IAPR was scheduled for publication by North-Holland very shortly.

Mr. Freeman announced that the Third Scandinavian Conference on "Image Analysis" would take place 12-14 July 1983 in Copenhagen, Denmark. A Regional Conference, it was jointly sponsored by IAPR and the Danish Pattern Recognition Society.

The 7th International Conference on "Pattern Recognition" was scheduled to be held 30 July - 2 August 1984 in Montreal, Canada.

In conclusion, Mr. Freeman stated he had made contacts with the people of the international "Artificial Intelligence" community and encouraged them to apply for Affiliate Membership in IFIP. He referred to a Call for Papers he had distributed to all GA Participants concerning the Eighth International Joint Conference on "Artificial Intelligence – ICAI-83" scheduled for 8-12 August 1983 in Karlsruhe, F.R.G.

General Assembly NOTED Mr. Freeman's comments with thanks.

12.2 IASC

Mr. Fourot drew attention to Mr. Muller's Annual Report and commented that the Fifth Symposium on "Computational Statistics – COMPSTAT 82", had just taken place in Toulouse, France.

12.3 ICCC

Mr. Douglas advised that the ICCC Executive Body had formed a 'special' Committee, under the Chairmanship of Dr. Winkler, to ensure cooperation with IFIP. As a member of that Committee and as a Vice-President of ICCC, Mr. Douglas said he had been appointed to represent ICCC at IFIP General Assemblies.

Mr. Douglas presented his report and pointed out that ICCC held biennial Conferences. The most recent one had taken place the previous week in London with over 1,600 participants. The next Conference was scheduled for October 1984 in Sydney, Australia and the 1986 Conference for September in Munich, F.R.G.

Mr. Douglas underlined that one of his tasks would be to ensure coordination between ICCC activities and those of TC 6. However, he foresaw no problem as several TC 6 members were also Governors of ICCC. ICCC was interested in the Human-Computer Interaction Group.

In conclusion, Mr. Douglas said ICCC hoped to submit regular articles for insertion in the IFIP Information Bulletins.

General Assembly NOTED the report with thanks to Mr. Douglas. The President hoped that the good relations currently in force with ICCC would further develop.

12.4 EUROMICRO

Mr. Fourot stated that as no news had been forthcoming from Mr. Thompson, he could but only draw attention to the latter's Annual Report wherein it was noted that "EUROMICRO 83" was planned for 13-16 September 1983 in Madrid, Spain. "EUROMICRO 84" would be held in Copenhagen, Denmark.

13. CONGRESS 83

(Kindly also refer to Council Minutes, Agenda item 8.)

13.1 Organizing Committee

Mr. Carteron referred to his report (CGA Rome 82 /C 83/OC-1) and confirmed that the registration fee had been set at SFr. 750 (advance SFr. 650, late SFr. 800). As indicated in the 2nd Announcement dated March 1982. However, the actual fee – to be finalized prior to the distribution of the registration form – would be in French Francs and most probably at FF. 2,500. He confirmed that the deadline date for early-bird registration would now be 1 March 1983.

Concerning diffusion of information, Mr. Carteron said OC would employ two lists – namely, a) main distribution involving some 90,000 names – IFIP, AFCET, SICOB files, etc. and b) IFIP GA Member Societies (President, Secretariat, Correspondent), Congress Liaison, TC and WG Chairmen and generally all people involved in the IFIP activity. Every two months, information concerning the preparation of the Congress would be sent to list b) in order that it might be published in each country. For each parcel mailed out, OC would issue a letter requesting acknowledgement of receipt of the parcel. Mr. Carteron confirmed that list b) mailings would be controlled and handled by AFCET. Mr. Carteron further confirmed that the following month (October 1982) the Preliminary Programme, including Registration Form and information regarding Social Events would be distributed to list a) and in December 1982 list b) would receive available news on the Congress and reminder for early-bird registration. Following the March 1983 scheduled Programme Committee meeting, information on the Final Programme would be distributed to list b) so that, again, the IFIP Member Societies could arrange for publication of same in their respective countries. The printed booklet of the Final Programme would be available in approximately mid-April 1983. The President and Mr. Glaser queried the significance of the dates cited to which Mr. Carteron replied they inferred the date of departure from Paris.

Mr. Carteron referred to Press Releases (included in the promotion programme summary – Attachment 1 to his report) and

Action

Mr. Tschritzis wished it recorded that he be allowed to see the Press Releases prior to their printing and distribution to ensure there was nothing inaccurate in same regarding the Technical programme; in fact, he felt PC should be actively involved in the preparation of the Press Releases.

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Mr. Tschritzis further underlined that he trusted he and his Area Chairmen would be given the opportunity to see all publicity items prior to their going to press.

Action

The President recommended that every GA Member and Correspondent (Congress Liaison Officer) be sent the Press Releases together with the list of the Journals in their respective countries to which same were addressed which, with the cooperation of the GA Members and Correspondents, would allow for follow-up, possible addition of Journals, corrections, etc.

Mr. Kalman commented that Congress 80 Japan / Australia had arranged for lower registration fees for Unesco-supported participants from developing countries and trusted a similar negotiation would be possible in respect of Congress 83. Mr. Carteron replied that OC had a sub-committee Chaired by Mr. Coffin to collect funds and examine the special demands for help in participating at the Congress. The President asked if OC could agree for those registrations subsidized by Unesco and IBI to have a special rate and recommended the early-bird figure. Mr. Kalman confirmed it would concern approximately 20 people.

Action

The President stated that OC did not receive much feed-back and called on General Assembly Members and Member Societies to keep OC informed on the interest shown in Congress 83 in their respective countries.

General Assembly NOTED the report with thanks to Mr. Carteron.

13.2 Programme Committee

Mr. Tschritzis referred to his report, which had been presented to the Council, listing the Invited Speakers with the titles of their papers (except in one or two cases) and suggested Panel Subjects.

General Assembly unanimously APPROVED the PC report including the list of Invited Speakers with thanks to Mr. Tschritzis.

14. MEDINFO 83

Mr. Shires advised that the preparations for MEDINFO 83 were progressing most satisfactorily. As at 15 August 1982, they had received 785 responses to the Call for Papers. The early-bird fee was HFI. 500 and 76 registrations had already been received. MEDINFO 83's budget was based on a break-even figure of 875 participants and Mr. Shires felt this would be safely reached provided the world economy did not deteriorate.

15. OTHER EVENTS

There was nothing to report under this Agenda item.

16. FUTURE MEETINGS

Mr. Fourot informed that the 1983 Council Meeting would take place the week of 21 March in Beijing. The 1983 General Assembly would be held in Paris just prior to Congress 83.

He announced that firm invitations had been received from Hungary and F.R.G. to host respectively the 1984 and 1985 Council Meetings. Tentative invitations had been received from Bulgaria and South Africa to host the 1984 General Assembly and from Japan to host the 1985 General Assembly. Mr. Benmokhtar advised that Morocco would be happy to host an IFIP Meeting in 1984, 1985 or 1986.

Mr. Shubber suggested holding all Meetings in the Headquarters country. Discussion evidenced a strong disagreement of the General Assembly as IFIP's philosophy was based on a true international cooperation; geographical distribution of events, in particular, was considered as extremely necessary.

As some queries were raised in respect of the South African invitation, Mr. le Roux confirmed that anyone could enter his country and should South Africa be selected to host a General Assembly Meeting, he would write to all General Assembly Members and participants well ahead of time so that they could approach their respective governments for the appropriate exit visas, if necessary.

The President expressed his gratitude for the various invitations. In respect of the 1983 Paris General Assembly, he confirmed that the closing of the Meeting would coincide with the closing ceremony of the Congress – at which time the Silver Cores would be distributed and the new President initiated. He also added that before the 1983 GA he would formally ask all Standing Committee Chairmen to submit their resignation so the new President would be free to fill the posts as he thought best. By resignation of the Chairmen, all the Committee members would deem to have resigned also.

17. OTHER GENERAL ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

There was nothing to report under this Agenda item.

18. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

The President expressed his thanks for the individual contributions and again emphasized his appreciation to for its gracious hospitality.

The President declared the Meeting closed.

ACTION POINTS

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Action Required By</u>
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COUNCIL

4	Council Members
4	Mr. Fourot
4	Mr. Fourot
7.1	Mr. Goldsworthy
7.4	IFIP Secretariat
8.2	Everyone
8.2	GA Members
11	Mr. Fourot / IFIP Secretariat
11	Mr. Fourot

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1.1	President
4	GA Members
4	Member Societies
4	President
4	GA Members
5	Mr. Fourot
.5	GA Members / Member Societies
5	Mr. Fourot
5	IFIP Secretariat
6	Mr. Portaencasa
8.6	Mr. Dalton / IFIP Secretariat
9.1	GA Members
9.2	Mr. Sendov (Mr. Penkov)
9.3	Member Societies
9.3	GA Members
9.4	TC Chairmen
9.6	Mr. Glaser
9.7	Mr. Melbye
9.7	Mr. Melbye
11.1	GA Members
11.1	APC / Task Force "Security and Privacy"
11.1	Mr. le Roux
11.1	Mr. Chevion
11.1	GA Members
11.1	Mr. Dalton / IFIP Secretariat
11.1	Mr. Goldsworthy
11.1	President / Mr. Fourot / IFIP Secretariat / Member Societies
11.1	Mr. Lehmann / IFIP Secretariat
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11.1	GA Members
11.1	APC / TC 3 Review Committee
11.1	APC / TC 8 Review Committee
11.1	Mr. Zemanek
11.1	APC / PC
11.1	Mr. Goldsworthy
11.1	TC 6 / ICCG
11.1	Mr. Fourot
11.1	Everyone
11.1	Mr. Freeman
11.1	Mr. Goldsworthy
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11.1	Mr. Goldsworthy / IFIP Secretariat
11.1	TC Chairmen

11.1	PIC
11.3	FC / Executive Body
11.3	Mr. Dalton / IFIP Secretariat
11.5	APC / ICID Review Committee
11.7	Member Societies
11.8	Everyone
11.8	GA Members
11.9	Mr. Lehmann
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