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ISA SECRETARIAT: P.O. Box 719, Station A, Montreal, P.Q., Canada Tel: (514) 282-4634 Cable: ISAGRAM MONTREAL
The Executive Committee met in Uppsala, Sweden from May 25 to 28 inclusive and was attended by all members except Michel Bassand and Ramkrishna Mukherjee.

The President expressed his dismay at the necessity to cancel the meeting in Moscow. Two weeks before the meeting several people had neither accommodation nor visas and, after consultation, the decision to change the locale had to be taken. However, the invitation to meet in Moscow still stands and we may be able to meet there in the future. The Executive Committee is prepared to meet in different places provided the planning and the costs can be worked out beforehand.

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The Executive Secretary presented a report on the activities of the Secretariat. The major question raised was the relocation of the Secretariat after 1978 when the four-year term of the present Secretariat expires. The consensus was that frequent moves are too disruptive and too costly. Therefore, every effort should be made to allow the Secretariat to remain either in Montreal or at least in Canada for another four-year term. The President and the Secretariat are to explore these possibilities and report back next year. A motion was passed to retain the same persons as Executive Secretary and Deputy Executive Secretary for another term. As Céline Saint-Pierre said that she did not want to stay for another term and Kurt Jonasson was undecided, this matter was postponed to next year's meeting when the decision on location will have to be made.

The Deputy Executive Secretary presented the financial statement for 1975 and the budgets for 1976 and 1977. In 1975 the deficit was about $9,000 and the budgets for 1976 and 1977 foresee further deficits. This simply means that the ISA is caught, like everyone else, between rising costs and stable revenues. Since the ISA does not have reserves to cover this situation, we shall be in bankruptcy sometime next year. The Membership and Finance Committee presented a number of drastic recommendations, not all of which were accepted. An increase in membership fees was voted and is being submitted to the ISA Council by mail ballot, as provided by the Statutes of the ISA. To cut expenditures, it was approved to hold an Executive Committee meeting in 1977 with a zero budget; the Secretariat agreed to circulate the agenda and relevant documentation early enough so that members who are unable to attend the meeting may contribute to it by mail. In addition, a special membership drive is planned for this fall, and further efforts will be made to reduce expenditures on several items in the budget.

The Chairman of the Membership and Finance Committee presented a review of collective members. Resignations were accepted, new applications were either admitted or tabled, pending receipt of further information, and a few members who are not any more in good standing are to receive a final letter before being suspended. Several suggestions were made for increasing our membership, for revising the basis for assessing dues, and for amending the Statutes with regard to Category B members.

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The Executive Committee approved the final version of the program, based on the work of the Program Committee and the Advisory Committee and also taking into account suggestions by Council Delegates and member associations. It also approved a timetable for the Congress. (See page 4.)

A more detailed program, which will include the names and addresses of chairpersons and rapporteurs, will appear in the ISA BULLETIN No. 13 (Spring issue, 1977). At that time people interested in submitting papers will be able to correspond with the officers of the session in which they would like to participate.

As you can see, the timetable (see page 5) makes provision for meetings of "Ad Hoc Groups" and "Meetings organized by other organizations and institutions". Groups wishing to organize such meetings should send a proposal to the Secretariat, giving the names of the organizers together with an outline of the theme and at least some of the potential participants. Such proposals will then be reviewed by the Executive Committee and the writers will be informed as soon as possible, but no later than summer 1977, of the action that the Executive Committee has taken.

The Executive Committee had reluctantly to increase the Congress registration fees due to inflation:

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Pre-registration forms will be available from summer 1977 and will be distributed to all members with the summer 1977 ISA Bulletin.

For additional details on the preparations for the next World Congress, see the Report on the Meetings of the Swedish Local Arrangements Committee in this issue.

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Deadlines for submission of reports and of items of interest to our members are:

- **Spring Issue**: December 15
- **Summer Issue**: June 1
- **Fall Issue**: September 15

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The President reported on the progress of arrangements for the Latin-American Regional Conference to be held in Havana in September. A program has been worked out and a list of persons to be invited is in the final stages of preparation. Vice-President Abdel-Malek reported that the proposed Arab Regional Conference to be held in Cairo has been postponed to next year. A general discussion followed on the distinction between an ISA Regional Conference, meetings sponsored by the ISA, and meetings to which the ISA may send representatives if invited. It was suggested that any meeting sponsored by the ISA must be open to any qualified sociologist and that Regional Conferences should involve active participation by the ISA in the preparation of the scholarly program. A more detailed set of guidelines are to be worked out next year so that no confusion arises in the future.

Guido Martinotti presented the report on the Publications Committee. After discussion of financial difficulties, the budgets of *Current Sociology* and *SSIS* (Studies in International Sociology) were approved. Some technical difficulties were discussed involving the production and marketing of our publications, and the transfer of *Current Sociology* from Mouton to Sage. In particular, both editors felt that the burden of work was not adequately shared by the editorial boards. Both editors were authorized to seek members for their boards who were likely to be active in both soliciting promising manuscripts and in reading and evaluating them. Such names are to be submitted to the Executive Committee for approval.

Executive Committee meeting

Clockwise: T. Bottomore (back to camera), K. Jonassohn, S. Nowak, M. Jonaitis, A. Akiwowo, M. Sokolowska, M. Rutkevich, A. Meier, R. Hill, J. Ben-David, U. Blommaert, A. Abdel-Malek

Vice-President Touraine presented the report of the Research Coordinating Committee. It was decided to conduct a review of all Research Committees in 1977 after a letter has been circulated requesting up-dated reports on activities. It was also reported that the new procedure, whereby each Research Committee collects dues from its own members, still has not been implemented by some of the Research Committees. Applications for new Research Committees were reviewed and some of them were approved as 'Working Groups' for a two-year period at the end of which they may become regular Research Committees. Inspite of the budgetary pressures, it was thought important to keep the $2,000 reserved for grants to Research Committees in the 1976 budget. If the financial situation does not improve, it will have to be reduced to a token amount in 1977. It was also decided not to convene the Research Council in 1977 since it will meet at the World Congress in 1978.

The meeting nominated representatives to various bodies, tabled the discussion of possible amendments to the Statutes, and discussed future meetings. Our Polish colleagues had invited the Executive Committee to meet in Poland and indicated that an official invitation would arrive during the summer. The dates of this meeting were fixed for the second week of May, with 1 to 1½ days reserved for Committees and 2 to 2½ days reserved for the Executive Committee. Some members of the Secretariat are also expected to stop in Uppsala to work with the Swedish Local Arrangements Committee; but this will be contingent on obtaining travel funds.

This brief summary leaves out much detail and all discussion. Still, we hope that you found it informative.
SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM FOR IX WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY
August 14-19, 1978, UPPSALA, SWEDEN

General Theme: PATHS OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Plenary Session I:
Working Group 1: Theories, Models and Ideologies of Development
Working Group 2: Schemes of Theoretical Analysis
Working Group 3: Concepts and Indicators of Social Development
Working Group 4: The Concept of Development: A Multi-Disciplinary Debate
Working Group 5: Modernization and National Development

Plenary Session II:
Working Group 6: Processes, Contradictions and Conflicts in the Transformation of Modern Societies
Working Group 7: Occupational Structure, Class Formation and Class Consciousness
Working Group 8: National and Ethnic Movements
Working Group 9: Women's Movements
Working Group 10: The State: Coercion and Persuasion
Working Group 11: Planners, Managers and Entrepreneurs

Plenary Session III:
Working Group 12: Spontaneity and Planning in Social Development
Working Group 13: Political Institutions and Processes
Working Group 14: Economic Systems and Patterns of Social Development
Working Group 15: Population Trends and Policies
Working Group 16: Rural/Urbam Development

Plenary Session IV:
Working Group 17: Societies, Cultures and Civilizations: Autonomy and Interdependence
Working Group 18: Civilizations: one or many?
Working Group 19: Cultural Continuity in a Changing World
Working Group 20: Comparative Studies of Changing Attitudes and Values
Working Group 21: Counter-Culture and Protest

Symposia:
1: The Political Context of Sociology
2: Sociology and History
3: Comparative Analysis of Whole Societies
4: Quality of Life: Approaches from Ecology and Sociology
5: Quality of Life: Comparative Perspectives
6: Conceptions of Social Disability
7: Mass Media and Social Change
8: The Education of the Sociologist
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REPORT ON THE MEETINGS WITH THE SWEDISH LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE (SLAC)

The President, several members of the Executive Committee, and the representatives of the Secretariat, all arrived several days before the Executive Committee meetings in order to visit the site of the IX World Congress, to meet with the members of SLAC, and to discuss plans for local arrangements. This was an exciting experience in many ways.

Those of us who were involved with the local arrangements for the Toronto Congress were asked many questions on what we did, why we did it, and whether it worked. Clearly, many such experiences are not transferable from one country to another; local situations differ too much. We were impressed by the facilities in Uppsala, by meeting the members of SLAC, and by the promise of an exciting World Congress in 1978. Now for some of the details:

First of all, let us introduce the Swedish Local Arrangements Committee (SLAC) that was established by our Vice-President Ulf Himmelstrand, who will continue to act as its Chairman.

Hans-Ulry M. Høleston will be the General Secretary of SLAC who will start working on a part-time basis and will become full-time as the volume of work increases. He brings to the job a variety of skills, including computer programming and systems analysis, as well as a great deal of enthusiasm concerning the challenge he will be facing.

Sonja Casada is a member of the Sociology Department at Uppsala University who has a reputation as an excellent faculty administrator and knows the resources of the campus and the city. She is also an active member of our Research Committee on Medical Sociology with a special interest in social handicaps.

Chistin Carlsson works for RESO which is one of the two large organizations in the business of travel, tourism and conference organizing. RESO is a non-profit organization owned by the Swedish union movement. Chistin Carlsson is in charge of operations at the RESO Congress Bureau in Stockholm and has considerable skill and experience in this area.

Jörgen Ulhög is Administrative Coordinator in the University administration and attached to the Social Science Faculty. He knows not only administration but has an intimate knowledge of the availability of resources, costs, and facilities that will be essential to the successful organization of a meeting as large as our World Congresses have become.

Left to right: H. Bill, N. Sololawa, H.-H. M. Høleston

One of the aspects of the IX World Congress that will be quite different from the VIII Congress in Toronto is the degree of its professionalism. In Toronto, nobody on the local arrangements committee had ever organized a meeting so large; we all learned from doing, but we shall have little chance of putting our hard-earned experience to use. In Uppsala, much of the work will be done by the experienced professional staff of RESO who will handle most of the work involved in registrations, room-bookings, local transportation and excursions, and some aspects of travel. This will greatly ease the burden on SLAC and on the Secretariat.

The division of labour between the Secretariat and SLAC was also discussed. In the past this has been a problem during preparations for World Congresses due to the geographical distance between these two groups. This time the participation of RESO makes possible a much less complicated division of labour. The Secretariat will not be involved in matters of registration, accommodation, and travel; these will be handled locally by RESO and SLAC. The main tasks of the Secretariat were decided to be: a general consulting and coordinating function, responsibility for producing the program, and providing some assistance locally just before the Congress.

In between working sessions, both at RESO in Stockholm and in Uppsala, we were taken on a site visit of the local facilities. Our first impression was, of course, conditioned by memories of Toronto. Thus, we were all, ad to note that distances in Uppsala are quite small and easily walked! The only exceptions were some of the student residences to which a shuttle bus service will be provided.

The student residences are very new and provide facilities that compare well with many hotels. Most of the delegates will be accommodated in these residences, not only because they will cost considerably less than hotel rooms, but also because hotel space in Uppsala is quite limited. Considering the economic problems that make it increasingly difficult to obtain travel grants, these well-appointed student residences with their very reasonable costs are one of the great assets of Uppsala as a Congress site.

We also toured the campus and particularly the two buildings in which most of the Congress activities will take place. They are only a few minutes walking distance apart and provide meeting rooms of all sizes. They also contain other essential facilities such as cafeterias, lounges, copying machines, etc. There is no doubt at all that the available facilities are more than adequate.

By far the most difficult part of the discussions dealt with the Congress budget. Ulf Himmelstrand has already obtained a commitment from the Swedish Government for support and SLAC will continue to seek additional funds. A preliminary Congress budget was reviewed and cut several times, but a large Congress such as ours is, costs a great deal of money - even after all possible cuts have been made. The Toronto Congress broke even although it had very generous support from many sources. Neither the ISA nor the Swedish association are in a position to cover a deficit. Therefore, there is no alternative than to increase the registration fees. Several estimates were prepared and submitted to the Executive Committee for consideration. While these discussions are not really of enough interest to report here in detail, perhaps one aspect should be mentioned. The preliminary budget as well as past experience show that delegates who do not pre-register account for a significant item in the budget. This is so because a large number of people are required to staff the registration desks that deal with them. Pre-registered delegates can be handled by a very small staff because all the work has been done before their arrival. It was therefore decided that the late registrants should pay a larger share than in the past of those costs which they cause themselves. Thus, the difference
between pre-registrants and late registrants has been increased even more than the overall increase in registration fees (see table page 2). However, it should be pointed out that the increase in fees is partly offset by the very reasonable prices for rooms and meals on campus.

Pre-registration forms will be available from summer 1977 on, and will be distributed to all members with the Summer 1977 issue of the ISA Bulletin (another reason to keep your membership and address with us up to date!)

The Committee also had preliminary discussions on a variety of technical details that will have to be taken care of as the Congress dates draw closer, e.g.: transportation from the airport, simultaneous translation for the Plenary Sessions, reproduction of papers, social events and excursions. We also met the Board of the Swedish Sociological Association at lunch and were the guests of Professor Torgy Segerstedt at dinner.

Prof. Segerstedt is not only the Rector of the University of Uppsala, he is also Professor of Sociology. The dinner turned out to be not only an occasion for sampling the wonderful Swedish hospitality, but it also was something of a historical and sentimental event.

Professor Segerstedt was the first professor of sociology in Sweden, he was a founding member of the ISA in 1949 in Norway, where it all started, and he was a member of the ISA Executive Committee in 1953-56.

This made it particularly fitting that the Executive Committee should finally meet at his university and that the next World Congress should be held there.

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REPORT ON THE MEETINGS WITH SLAC (continued)

REPORT ON THE MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Membership and Finance Committee met on May 25 before the meeting of the Executive Committee and spent most of its time on the financial statement and the budget. The finances of the Association are in a very difficult position: our expenditures are constantly rising due to inflation, while our income is constant. A great deal of time was spent trying to think of ways to increase our income and to decrease our expenditures. Several rather drastic recommendations were made to the Executive Committee. Those that were accepted will be found in the Report of the Meetings of the Executive Committee on a preceding page.

The Committee also reviewed the status of our collective members and expressed its satisfaction with the fact that most of them are now in good standing. The few exceptions will receive reminders from the Secretariat and be reviewed again next year. Several new applications for membership were reviewed and suggestions were discussed for increasing both our collective and individual membership.

REPORT ON THE MEETINGS OF THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

The Publications Committee met on May 25 and, in the absence of Michel Bassand, the meeting was chaired by Guido Martinotti.

Sage Series in International Sociology (SSIS): four volumes have been published and approximately ten will be out by the end of 1976 or early in 1977. Several other manuscripts are in various stages of production and they will bring the total number of volumes to 15 by the end of 1977. No further commitments should be made before the World Congress. As the program takes shape, officers of some of the sessions will be asked to consider preparing a volume on their session. Some of these volumes might then come out right after the Congress. The Committee also proposes to encourage Research Committees to submit volumes arising out of their work to this Series.

Current Sociology (CS): the manuscripts for Vol. XXII (1974) and Vol. XXIII (1975) are now with the publisher (Mouton) and are expected to be available this year. Starting with Vol. XXIV (1976), Current Sociology will be published by Sage Publications and the first manuscript is ready.
REPORT ON THE MEETINGS OF THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE (cont'd)

The editor hopes to have two further manuscripts ready soon to complete Vol. XXIV (1976). If they are published by the middle of 1977, the CS will be up-to-date. The editor reports that contracts have been signed for a sufficiently large number of manuscripts to hope that CS will continue to publish on time.

The Committee also discussed: budgets of these two publications; the possibility of involving more active people on the editorial boards who would solicit manuscripts, especially from non-English countries, and who would be prepared to read and evaluate manuscripts; and ways of making our publications more widely known and read in the sociological community.

REPORT ON THE MEETING OF THE RESEARCH COordinating Committee

Many proposals were prepared by the Research Coordinating Committee and submitted for approval to the Executive Committee.

Admission of new Research Committees: No new Research Committees have been recognized as such this year by the Research Coordinating Committee. After having examined the applications and following the new procedures adopted at the last meeting of the Research Council (May 1975), it was decided to recognize as Working Groups for a period of two years, the following applicants:

Participation, Self-Management and Workfare Control. This proposal was submitted by Rudi Supek from Yugoslavia.

Economy and Society. This Working Group is the result of the merging of two different groups which submitted two separate proposals last year. One group, headed by F. Cardoso and another one headed by N. Smelser, are both interested in various aspects of "economic sociology". This proposal was submitted by W.C. Riggs and was approved because this is already an active group in IPSA.

These three Working Groups will be recognized as Research Committees of the ISA in 1978 if they follow the criteria established last year and published in Bulletin No. 8. The criteria are as follows:

"The new applicants can be accepted, as a first step and for a two-year period, as Working Groups. Then, on the basis of an evaluation by the Research Coordinating Committee, they can be recognized as Research Committees for a total period of two years, after which time and with the approval of the Research Coordinating Committee, they can become fully recognized Research Committees of the ISA.

During the World Congress, the Working Groups will be invited to function on the same basis as the Ad Hoc Groups. In order to be recognized as Research Committees, the Working Groups should include in their applications the following:

- A description of their activities with a list of participants and titles of papers;
- The results of the elections of their board and of an observer to the Research Council;
- A list of voters."

Allocation of grants to Research Committees: As you will have read in the report on the meetings of the Executive Committee, our financial situation is in bad shape. Regarding the allocation of grants to Research Committees, it was decided by the Research Coordinating Committee "to agree to a reduction in the total amount allocated for grants if the Executive Committee decides to do so, but to insist on the necessity of keeping this item in the budget".

After examining the budget for next year, the Executive Committee decided that, for 1977, the amount of $2,000 will be retained. All applications received at the Secretariat by August 31, 1976 will be examined by the Research Coordinating Committee and applicants will be informed of the decisions. It was pointed out that these grants are intended to support activities which will take place during the year 1977. The grants item in the 1977 budget will be reconsidered next year.

Participation of Research Committees in the next Congress: The Research Committees will be asked to include the general theme of the Congress: "PATHS OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT" in their respective programs. Two Special Sessions will be organized during the Congress by the Research Coordinating Committee and some Research Committees will be asked to participate in these also. The Chairman of the Research Coordinating Committee, Vice-President Alain Touraine, will be in charge of the preparation of these two Special Sessions with regard to the topics and the participants.

Review of existing Research Committees: At the present meeting of the Research Coordinating Committee no formal review of the existing Research Committees was made. However, an important proposal concerning all Research Committees was adopted: According to the Statutes of the ISA, the Research Committees must be reviewed at the end of each four-year period. In order to do so, the Executive Secretary, on behalf of the Research Coordinating Committee, will write to all the Secretaries of the Research Committees to ask them to submit an extensive report on their activities since the 1974 Congress. At its meeting in May 1977, the Research Coordinating Committee will make a thorough review of these reports and will take a decision on the renewal or annulment of the mandate of each Research Committee.

Next meeting of the Research Council and Research Coordinating Committee: Due to the financial situation of the ISA and the date of the next Congress, it was decided not to hold a meeting of the Research Council in 1977. The Research Committees will devote all their efforts to the preparation of their participation in the Congress. Only the Research Coordinating Committee will meet in 1977 and will have a full day meeting before that of the Executive Committee in May next year.
REPORTS FROM THE RESEARCH COMMITTEES

Note: Many reports and information arrived too late to be published in our Spring Bulletin - reserved mainly for Research Committees. We thought it useful to publish these in the present Bulletin. This explains why the information found here does not cover all our Research Committees, as most reports have already appeared in the last issue.

1. ARMED FORCES AND SOCIETY

Report of Activities:

The Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society held a special international seminar in May 1976 in Copenhagen, Denmark on United Nations and peacekeeping activities. For copies of the papers presented and a digest of the proceedings, interested persons should write directly to Mr. Steen Borup-Nielsen, Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society, Secretariat of 1976 Conference, Militaerpsykologisk Tjeneste, Christianshavns Voldgade 8, DK-1424 Copenhagen K, Denmark.

In conjunction with the ongoing activities of the Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society, a special issue of Armed Forces and Society: An Interdisciplinary Journal will be devoted to sociological analysis of trade unionism and group representation in the military establishments of Western Europe. Information concerning this issue and the journal can be obtained by writing to the Secretariat, Inter-University Seminar, Box 46, Dept. of Sociology, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL 60637, U.S.A.

5. ETHNIC, RACE AND MINORITY RELATIONS

Report of Activities:

A newsletter is published by the Committee under the responsibility of its Secretary, William J. Wilson. In the last ISA Bulletin, the Committee announced a joint conference with the Committee on Migration, to be held in 1976 on the topic of "Migration and Ethnic Conflicts". It now appears that the efforts of the Committee to secure funding to support such a conference have been unsuccessful; consequently, the plans for a joint meeting have had to be abandoned. However, there is a possibility that the two Committees may sponsor a joint session at the ISA World Congress in 1978.

6. FAMILY RESEARCH

Report of Activities:


A summary of the round table held in Dubrovnik, Jugoslavia in June 1975 on the theme: "Les alternatives aux rôles traditionnels des sexes" is also presented. Many delegates from other ISA Research Committees took part in this meeting.

9. INNOVATIVE PROCESSES IN SOCIAL CHANGE

Report of Activities:

The next regional meeting of this Committee will take place September 11-12, 1976 in Zurich, Switzerland on the theme: "Innovative Processes in Social Change in Highly Industrialized Nations". It will be held at the Sociological Institute of the University of Zurich. The Director of the Institute is Prof. Peter Heintz, Zeltweg 63, Zurich, and Ellen B. Hill, the Secretary of the Research Committee, is responsible for the organization. She can be reached at the following address:

6654 Cavigliano, Ticino, Switzerland.

The Research Committee is also organizing an international symposium on "Action Research and Scientific Analysis" which will take place in Cartagena, Colombia, in February 1977.

Content of the Symposium:

The Cartagena Symposium would take an inventory of action research as it has been actually practised in different countries, and it would subject each experience to criticism and analysis. The final purpose is to see how this method enriches both the scientific tradition and the pursuit of a more efficacious transformation in societies in need of change. Specifically, the Symposium would examine the following topics:

Professor Arie N.J. den Hollander

The sudden death of Professor Arie den Hollander on June 16, 1976 is a great loss to the ISA. He was active in the Association from an early date as the delegate of the Nederlandse Sociologische Vereniging on the ISA Council, as a Vice-President 1956-59, and as a member of the Executive Committee 1959-62. He was responsible for organizing the very successful Third World Congress in Amsterdam in 1956. This was an occasion when our Congresses first began to grow significantly in size, and to include participants from all the major areas of the world, and there were many organizational problems which Professor den Hollander and his small committee tackled with superb efficiency. Even before this time Professor den Hollander had made a notable contribution to our work, especially in arranging for one of the early meetings of our first Research Committee, on Social Stratification, to be held in his American Institute at the University of Amsterdam. Later on, he continued to support the activities of the ISA strongly through his work in the Netherlands Sociological Society.

We have lost a colleague who was always ready to contribute his best efforts to the international development of sociology.

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1) the range of utilization of action research: limits and possibilities;
2) convergence of action research with existing social theories;
3) theory-making, model-building and concept-making in action research;
4) historical and field techniques in action research;
5) the ideological components of action research;
6) the political consequences of action research;
7) personal commitment and the scientific approach;
8) case studies and content presentations.

There will be monographs addressed to one or several of these topics, to be discussed in plenary sessions or in working groups. The resulting material would be published in book form simultaneously in English and Spanish.

As of today, apart from the Colombian group, the following colleagues have committed themselves to prepare papers and attend the Symposium, pending the presentation and acceptance of summaries in August and reception of final papers by the organizing committee:

Prof. Samir Amin (Senegal)
Prof. Sergio Bagu (Argentina-Mexico)
Dr. Francisco Delich (Argentina)
Dr. Amitsi Etzioni (U.S.)
Prof. Ulf Himmelstrand (Sweden)
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Mr. Miguel Darcy de Oliveira (Brazil)
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Prof. David C. Pitt (New Zealand)
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Prof. Karoly Varga (Hungary)
Prof. Dov Weintraub (Israel)
Dr. Anibal Quijano (Peru)
Dr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen (Mexico)
Mr. Miguel Darcy de Oliveira (Brazil)

Some other colleagues from Third World countries are still in correspondence regarding their participation.

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Orlando Fals Borda
Apartado Aéreo 52508
Bogota 2, Colombia.

18. POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

Report of Activities:
The Committee publishes a Newsletter which provides news and notes of activities of the Committee and its members. The Newsletter is edited by the Secretary, Richard Rose.

Members of the Committee will participate in the 10th World Congress of IPSA in Edinburgh, Scotland, next August.

A conference on "the legitimation of regimes" is being prepared by Bogdan Denitch, with special reference to Eastern Europe and the Mediterranean. This meeting may be held in autumn 1976. Further details from Bogdan Denitch at the Institute of International Change, S. I. A., Columbia University, 420 West 118th Street, New York City, N.Y. 10027, U.S.A.

Tentative plans for a conference on "overloaded governments" are being drawn up by the Committee Secretary for the next academic year.

Conferences held:
"Elections in Complex Societies", Queen's University, Kingston, Ont., Canada 8-13 June 1975.
Prof. John Meisel of Queen's organized an Elections Conference on the above theme, with support from the Canada Council, the Dept. of External Affairs of the Canadian Government and Queen's University.

"Public Policy in Scotland and Norway", University of Strathclyde, Scotland, 30 June-3 July 1975.
The Comparative Public Policy Work Group held a Conference examining the inter-relationship of policy problems in two smaller European democracies, currently experiencing oil-induced strains, with Prof. Richard Rose of Strathclyde and Prof. Derek Urwin of Bergen as the co-convenors. The Norwegian participants came from the University of Bergen and the Chr. Michelsen Institute. The Scottish group included staff from Edinburgh, Glasgow and Strathclyde Universities, as well as observers from Aberystwyth (Wales), and Trinity and University Colleges, Dublin. A return meeting is planned in Bergen, 9-15 May 1976, with the assistance of grants from the British Council and the University of Bergen.

IFES (Institut fur Empirische Sozialforschung), Vienna (Dr. Karl Blecha and Ernst Gehmacher) and the Comparative Policy Work Group (Prof. Richard Rose) brought together academics, public officials, research institute workers and staff of profit-making organizations to consider what each has to exchange with others in the field of public policy. The Round table included participants from Austria, Germany and the United States.

A paper drawing together themes discussed at the conference has been prepared by the Committee Secretary, "Disciplined Research and Undisciplined Problems". It is in XXVIII:1 (1976) International Social Science Journal. A limited number of copies of the multilith version are available from Strathclyde University.

The Committee of Political Sociology and the Polish Academy of Sciences assembled a group of political scientists and sociologists for an international workshop on the role of
IDEOLOGY IN THE 20TH CENTURY. The meeting was organized by Prof. Jerzy Wiatr in preparation for the 7th Section of the Edinburgh Congress of the IPA on "Ideology as Control of Time and Space". The workshop was attended by participants from Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Canada, Czechoslovakia, France, India, Norway, Poland and the United Kingdom.


In collaboration with the welfare policy group of the Council for European Studies, the Committee held a conference on the above theme with participants from America, Britain, France, Austria, and EC and British government institutions. The meeting was one of a series organized by the CES group to explore the theme of contemporary crisis and choice in welfare policy.

The Committee has also published a volume: "Contemporary Political Sociology". Sage Professional Papers, Vol. II.

Report of Activities:

The Fifth ICSS Seminar on the themes "Sociology of Sport Organizations" and "Socialization Processes and Sport" was held in Heidelberg October 2 and 3, 1975. Over 100 participants from 13 countries attended.

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20. SOCIOLOGY OF MENTAL HEALTH

The Committee publishes a Newsletter edited by the Secretary, R.F. Geyer.

Report of Activities:

Plans exist to organize a symposium of the Research Committee next spring; this symposium, as a principle planned as a European regional meeting, will be open to all members of the Research Committee. It is scheduled to be held at the University of Maastricht (Netherlands) on April 4, 5, and 6, 1977. Board and lodging can be arranged for a nominal fee not exceeding 6.50. The central theme of this conference is "Problems of mental health and mental health care in situations of social, psychological, and economic deprivation - recent developments in theory-building, research methodology, and policy applications".

Participation will be limited to some 30 members; those who will deliver a paper on the subject will have preference. If you are interested in participating, please write to R.F. Geyer, SIMO, O.Z. Achterburgwal 128, Amsterdam, Netherlands.

27. SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT

The Committee held elections last October. Here are the results:

President: Gunther Luschen
Gen. Secretary: Gerald S. Kenyon, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ont., Canada

Report of Activities:

ICSS Meetings: After some discussion, there is a strong possibility that future meetings of ICSS will be held in the following countries:

1976 - Canada, in conjunction with ICPS/CISAP
1977 - Bulgaria
1978 - Sweden, in conjunction with ISA
1979 - Poland
1980 - Moscow, USSR, in conjunction with the Olympic Congress
1981 - DDR

The Committee publishes the International Review of Sport Sociology and the ICSS Bulletin. Dr. B.D. McPherson is the editor of the Bulletin.

32. SEX ROLES IN SOCIETY

The Committee publishes a Newsletter.

Report of Activities:

"The Roundtable on Alternatives to Traditional Sex Roles" held June 16-21, 1975 at Dubrovnik was part of an International colloquium on the changing roles of the sexes jointly sponsored by the Grove Family Conference and the Yugoslav Sociological Association. Held entirely in French, it was co-organized by Prof. Desanka Savicevic of the University of Belgrade and the Sex Roles Committee Co-Chairperson, André Michel, with the collaboration of Isabel Debile, Research Director of the Institute for the Study of Economic and Social Development at the University of Paris, and Germaine Tillilon, anthropologist and director of studies at the School for Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences. The Institute for Cultural and Technical Cooperation funded the participation of a number of African women social scientists, and altogether there were 35 participants from 16 countries.

A report of the Roundtable will be published in the ISA review Current Sociology.

"The Roundtable on Latin American Women's Role in Rural and Urban Settings" (El trabajo de la mujer en las ciudades y en el campo de America Latina), to be held in Spanish and Portuguese, will take place at the National University of Mexico. The dates will be either the last week in July or the first week in August. Co-organizers with Prof. Acosta are Lia Fukui of Brazil and Teresa Bianchi, who will do the organization work on behalf of the International Executive of the Sex Roles Research Committee from her office in San Francisco. While the number will be held to 35, there will be a few places for Spanish-speaking Europeans and North Americans, so interested persons who have done or are currently doing research on women's roles in rural or urban settings are urged to communicate with Teresa Bianchi (63 Rossi Avenu, San Francisco, CA 94118, USA).

Other Conferences, Past and to Come:

The Committee is happy to designate any member of the Sex Roles Research Committee as a representative from the Committee to any regional or international conferences on topics related to sex roles research, with the understanding that a report will be written for the benefit of the membership. Since the secretariat does not necessarily know of such conferences in advance, members who plan to attend any such conference should take the initiative in contacting the Committee and suggesting representation. Because the ISA is an international non-governmental association, it is sometimes invited to send delegates to UN gatherings, although the UN consultative status of the ISA is not yet clear.

Hurma Tannous Es-Said of Jordan and Hanna Papenek of the United States represented the ISA at the International Conference of Women in Mexico City and Lia Fukui was asked to represent both the ISA itself and the Sex Roles Research Committee at a regional seminar organized by the UN in Buenos Aires in March on the subject of the participation of women. Since the Committee does not have a good communications network for identifying conferences and potential conference goers, it depends on each of its members for helping to expand this type of activity.
A Nouar Abdelmalek

Professor Boonsanong Punyodyana

As we mourn the death of Professor Boonsanong Punyodyana, murdered just after midnight, on February 28, as he was driving home from a farewell party given by an Australian diplomat in Bangkok, we ought to ponder the lesson of his life and death.

Professor Punyodyana, after his Doctorate in USA, became lecturer then Professor of Sociology at Thammasat University (Bangkok). He gradually became a central figure in University life and affairs in his country. He represented the Thai Sociology at the Conference on "Sociology and Social Development in East Asia" (Tokyo 1973) and did so with distinction and dynamism. He then participated in the VIIIth World Congress of Sociology (August 1974 - Toronto), taking an active part in the Sessions of the Research Committee on National Movements and Imperialism, and was elected Member of the Bureau of this Research Committee during this Congress. Upon returning home, Professor Punyodyana was elected Secretary General of the Socialist Party of Thailand, which has 12 seats in the House of Representatives and was planning to field 125 candidates in the April 1976 elections.

The Prime Minister then mentioned that Professor Punyodyana was a victim of political assassination and the Socialist Party of Thailand published the following declaration:

"Despite the fact that the Socialist Party and all socialists have always fought openly for the democratic process, we are rewarded by being bitten by dogs. Although many socialists have died, we are not afraid and will join the people to fight on. No matter how many of us are killed, many will remain. One Boonsanong fell, thousands of Boonsanongs will be born!"

The life and death of Professor Punyodyana was devoted to the liberation, independence and progress of the Thai people. And it is significant to see that the evacuation of foreign troops and bases in Thailand was abruptly precipitated by this tragic event.

Let us, therefore, draw the lesson, when we talk of the role of sociology in society. The memory of "Boon" will live in the mind of the Thai people. So shall it be in the hearts of his friends and colleagues who deeply mourn his tragic death.

Anouar Abdelmalek

REPORT FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

The International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations (U.S.A.)

On April 1-4, 1976, the fifth annual meeting of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations (U.S.A.) was held at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa. 17 sessions were held over the four-day period.

Special sessions were held on Arnold Toynbee: Skepticism in Chinese and Western Thought; Religions, Modernity, and Modernization; Analytical Issues in the Study of Civilization; Comparative Literature as the History of Sensibilities; Max Weber and Georg Simmel; and Cities in Crisis - Civilizational Perspectives.

The Society's distinguished speaker for the fifth annual meeting was Erich Voegelin, who spoke on "Civilization Encounters and the Genesis of Humanity". The program chairman for the conference was Burkart Holzner (University of Pittsburgh); the local arrangements chairman was Harold Bershady (University of Pennsylvania).

In addition to its annual meetings, the Society publishes the Comparative Civilizations Bulletin (quarterly) and organizes conferences on special topics. The dates and location for the sixth conference of the Society (to be held in the Spring of 1977) will be announced shortly; those interested in participating should contact the Society's president, Prof. Benjamin Nelson, the Graduate Faculty, New School for Social Research, 66 West 12th St. New York, N.Y. 10011, U.S.A. Inquiries concerning membership should be directed to the Secretary-Treasurer, Prof. Edmund Leites, Dept. of Philosophy, Queens College, Flushing, New York 11367, U.S.A.

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Applications to organize "Ad Hoc groups" and "Meetings organized by other organizations and institutions" will be welcome and will be accepted within the criteria of time, space and relevance. Such applications must be received by the end of March 1977 so that final decisions can be made at the May 1977 meetings of the Executive Committee.