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*At the meeting of the Task Force of the Publications Committee in London: (From left): Tom Bottomore, Michel Bassand, Kurt Jonassohn, Margaret Archer and Guido Martinotti.*

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Michel Bassand and Artur Meier

The Task Force of the Publications Committee met on January 21-22 in London, England. The meeting was attended by: Margaret Archer, Michel Bassand, Tom Bottomore, Guido Martinotti, Artur Meier, David and Katy Brooks, and Kurt Jonassohn.

The Committee reviewed the affairs of the SSIS books, the Journal, the Bulletin, and the membership of the Editorial Boards.

The books in the Sage Studies in International Sociology series are doing very well. The first volume already had to be reprinted. By the end of this year, 14 volumes will have been published. A number of early proposals were dropped, mainly because no manuscripts were received. Of the outstanding proposals, five were accepted for possible publication in 1978. The Task Force was unwilling to make further commitments because it did not want to risk a delay in the publication of materials from the 1978 World Congress. The Editor has already been in touch with the organizers of sessions in the World Congress program to encourage some of them to submit proposals for volumes to be based on their sessions. Some replies have already been received and more are expected as progress is made on the detailed organization of program sessions.

The Journal Current Sociology is still in some difficulty with regard to bringing its publication schedule up-to-date. But it is hoped that this situation will soon be resolved. Volumes XXII and XXIII were reported to be at the printers and should be available to subscribers in the near future. The first two numbers of Volume XXIV have appeared and are being mailed to subscribers now. A large number of proposals for future numbers were reviewed and approved by the Task Force. This should assure a flow of manuscripts that will keep the presses rolling on time.

The ISA Bulletin, which is produced by the Secretariat as a service to ISA members, will not be made available on a subscription basis. It was decided to make it available to a very limited list on a complimentary basis. Because it will remain a medium of communication with the membership, it will in future attempt to carry more reports on ISA activities including reports from the Secretariat and financial reports - space permitting.

Finally, a list of suggested names was prepared for the consideration of the Executive Committee in May to replace members of the Editorial Board of SSIS who are not interested in serving another term.

The meeting expressed its gratitude to David and Katy Brooks for making the local arrangements for the meeting and for their hospitality.



Margaret Archer et Guido Martinotti

Le groupe de travail du Comité des Publications se réunissait les 21 et 22 janvier à Londres. Étaient présents: Margaret Archer, Michel Bassand, Tom Bottomore, Guido Martinotti, Artur Meier, David et Katy Brooks, et Kurt Jonassohn.

Les thèmes suivants furent discutés: les volumes de la série "SSIS", la Revue, le Bulletin, et les membres des comités éditoriaux.

La série "Sage Studies in International Sociology" se vend très bien. Il a déjà fallu ré-imprimer le premier volume, et on prévoit que 14 volumes en tout auront paru avant la fin de l'année. De toutes les propositions qui avaient été envisagées, certaines ont dû être abandonnées par manque de manuscrits. D'autres excellents textes ont aussi dû être rejetés, malheureusement, car le groupe de travail ne tenait pas à prendre des engagements qui pourraient retarder la parution de volumes ressortant du IXe Congrès Mondial. Cinq propositions furent acceptées; celles-ci paraîtront probablement en 1978. L'éditeur de la série "SSIS" s'est déjà adressé aux responsables de plusieurs sessions du Congrès afin de les encourager dès maintenant soumettre des propositions pour des volumes basés sur le travail de leur propre session. Certains ont déjà répondu, et on attend d'autres réponses au fur et à mesure que les sessions s'organiseront d'une façon plus définitive.

Nous avons encore des difficultés à rencontrer les prévisions de publication de la revue "La Sociologie Contemporaine". Toutefois, cette situation devrait s'améliorer bientôt, car, d'après les dernières informations reçues, les volumes XXII et XXIII sont sous presse et seront disponibles d'ici peu. Par contre, les deux premiers numéros du volume XXIV ont déjà paru et seront distribués aux abonnés très prochainement. De nombreux projets de textes pour les prochains volumes de la revue furent étudiés et approuvés, afin d'assurer une quantité suffisante de manuscrits pour éviter tout retard à l'avenir.

Il fut décidé que le Bulletin de l'AIS, qui est publié par le Secrétariat et représente un service de la part de l'AIS à tous ses membres, ne serait pas distribué sur abonnement. Il sera envoyé, à titre gratuit, à un nombre restreint d'intéressés. Vu que le Bulletin reste l'organe principal de communication entre l'AIS et ses membres, il contiendra autant que possible, dans la limite de l'espace dont nous disposons, des rapports plus détaillés sur toutes les activités de l'AIS, y compris des rapports du Secrétariat et des rapports financiers.

Le groupe de travail rédigea une liste, qui devra être approuvée par le Comité exécutif en mai, qui remplacera certains des membres du Comité éditorial de la série "SSIS" qui se désistent de ce Comité.

Katy et David Brooks furent remerciés de s'être occupés de l'organisation de la réunion, et de leur chaleureux accueil aux participants.

REPORTS FROM THE RESEARCH COMMITTEES

1. ARMED FORCES AND SOCIETY

Chairperson: Jacques Van Doorn  
Secretary: Nancy Goldman  
Dept. of Sociology  
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Report of Activities:

During the year 1976 the Research Committee on Armed Forces and Society continued to promote the study and analysis of contemporary developments in this area of research. The year's work began with the publication of the proceedings of the Toronto Conference held in 1974. A selection of the papers which were presented at the Eighth World Congress of Sociology were published by Sage Publications as a volume in the Sage Studies in International Sociology:

G. Harries-Jenkins and Jacques Van Doorn (Eds):  
The Military and the Problem of Legitimacy.

The volume received favourable reviews in the U.S. and the U.K. and it has been referred to in a number of subsequent papers.

In May 1976, a regional conference was held in Copenhagen on the topic of "The United Nations and Peacekeeping Activities". The conference was attended by more than 30 scholars from Western Europe and the U.S. and valuable contacts were developed between academic scholars and practitioners in the field. The conference stimulated further research in this important area which has attracted considerable interest.

IX World Congress:

Currently, the Board is planning the activities of the Research Committee at the IX World Congress of Sociology to be held at Uppsala in 1978. The tentative list of topics to be discussed is:

Panel A: "War and Military Institutions: Marxist Theory and Practice".

Convenor: Morris Janowitz, Un. of Chicago

Panel B: "Social Development and Military Institutions in the Emerging Nations"

Convenor: Jacques Van Doorn, Erasmus University, Rotterdam

Round Table: "Studies in Armed Forces and Society"

(a) "Decline of the Mass Army - Empirical Documentation"

(b) "Occupational Inheritance and Military Tradition"

(c) "New Dimensions in Military Manpower"

Convenor: Gwyn Harries-Jenkins (address below)

A finalized and definitive list of topics will be circulated by March 31, 1977. The coordinator of the activities of the Research Committee at the World Congress will be:

Gwyn Harries-Jenkins  
Dept. of Adult Education  
University of Hull  
Hull, HU5 2EQ  
England

All requests should be sent to the above address.

2. ASPIRATIONS, NEEDS AND DEVELOPMENT

Chairperson: Paul-Henri Chombart de Lauwe  
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No report of activities has been received from this Research Committee

3. COMMUNITY RESEARCH

Chairperson: Terry N. Clark  
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Secretary: Ken Newton  
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Report of Activities:

Following a mailed ballot to all paid-up members of the Research Committee, a new board has been elected. T.N. Clark and K. Newton have been re-elected as chairman and secretary.

Given the increases in travel costs and decreases in grant and travel funds, the Research Committee has increasingly sought to arrange meetings in conjunction with other organizations. The immediate case in point is the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, held in New York City August 30-September 3, 1976. A panel on "The Urban Community in National Development" was scheduled for Monday, August 30, arranged jointly by the ISA Research Committee on Community Research and the ASA Section on the Community. A meeting of officers and members of the Research Committee was held Tuesday, August 31.

Roland J. Liebert and Allen W. Imershein (Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306) have just finished editing Power, Paradigms, and Community Research. It is now in production and should be published in early 1977 in the Sage Studies in International Sociology.

Further Conferences:

The Committee will jointly sponsor a session with the ECPR Workgroup in April 1977 in Berlin. Write to Ken Newton for details.

A small conference on local-national linkages is being arranged by Herman Turk, jointly with the ASA. It will be held in Chicago in Spring of 1977.

For information on publications of the Committee and for the World Congress Program, please write to the chairperson.

4. SOCIOLOGY OF EDUCATION

*Prov. Chairperson:* Pierre Bourdieu  
*Prov. Secretary:* Antonina Kloskowska  
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*Report of Activities:*

A mail ballot for the election of a new board is being conducted by the ISA Secretariat.

The Committee has prepared the publication of the Toronto papers on the Sociology of Education. The volume will be published this year under the title Education in the Changing Society. It is being edited by A. Kloskowska and G. Martinotti and published by Sage, London.

*IX World Congress:*

Antonina Kloskowska is responsible, for the time being, for the preparation of the program under the general theme: "Educational Development and the Growth of Culture".

6. FAMILY RESEARCH

*Chairperson:* John Mogey  
*Secretary:* Wilfried Dumon  
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*Report of Activities:*

An "International Conference on Love and Attraction" will take place September 5-9, 1977 in Swansea, U.K. Individual papers and symposia are invited, and abstracts and outlines should be sent by April 1 to:

Mark Cook  
Dept. of Psychology  
U.C. Swansea  
Singleton Park  
Swansea SA2 8PP  
Wales, U.K.

or to:

Glen Wilson  
Institute of Psychiatry  
Denmark Hill  
London SE5 8AF, U.K.

For information on research and publications of members of the Research Committee, please consult the CFR Gazette published by the Research Committee.

*IX World Congress:*

The Steering Committee of the Research Committee has persuaded Jan Trost to accept to act as the Chairman of the organization committee for the CFR part of the IX World Congress. The names of the other members of this committee will be known later on and will be published in the next CFR Gazette. All those interested in participating in the activities of the Research Committee should contact:

Jan Trost  
Dept. of Sociology  
Uppsala University  
Box 513  
S-751 20 Uppsala, Sweden.

The "Groupe International de recherches sur le divorce" has decided to have a special meeting open to all members of the ISA. ISA members interested in presenting papers at this meeting are invited to send information containing preliminary title and abstract to Jan Trost before July 1, 1977.

5. ETHNIC, RACE AND MINORITY RELATIONS

*Chairperson:* John Rex  
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*Secretary:* William Wilson  
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*Report of Activities:*

Since its last annual report, the Committee has accepted 17 new members representing sociologists from Belgium, Canada, Israel, Philippines, Poland and the United States. Membership now includes 128 individuals from 18 countries.

In July 1976, a workshop on Ethnicity and Development was held in Singapore. Organized by Dr. Riaz Hassan, a member of the Executive Board of the Committee and by Dr. Jacques Amyot of the International Development Research Center, the workshop included social scientists from 5 Southeast Asian countries.

In November 1976, a conference was held in Washington, D.C. on "The New Immigration: Implications for the United States and the International Community". Organized by Roy S. Bryce-Laporte, a member of the Committee and Director of the Research Institute on Immigration and Ethnic Studies at the Smithsonian, the conference was sponsored by the Smithsonian Institute. Several Committee members presented and discussed papers and participated in this conference.

*IX World Congress:*

As President of the Committee, John Rex is organizing the program for the World Congress. Individual members may send him suggestions for the program (including sessions and papers). The program will be drawn up in consultation with the officers of the Committee.

7. FUTURES RESEARCH

*Co-Chairpersons:* Johan Galtung  
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No report of activities has been received from this Research Committee.

8. HISTORY OF SOCIOLOGY

*Chairperson:* Steven Lukes  
*Secretary:* Robert A. Jones  
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No report of activities has been received from this Research Committee.

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9. INNOVATIVE PROCESSES IN SOCIAL CHANGE

*Chairperson:* Orlando Fals Borda  
*Secretary:* Ellen B. Hill  
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*Report of Activities:*

The Research Committee, with a nominal membership of 75, pursued its aims first: by keeping each other informed through a circular sent out by its chairman Orlando Fals Borda at approximately 3 months' intervals, and second: by organizing in September a regional meeting for Europe in Zurich, Switzerland, which 20 persons attended.

It had been able to publish in January a selection of the papers presented at the Research Committee sessions during the Toronto World Congress in the form of a special issue of the International Revue of Community Development as was announced in the ISA BULLETIN of Spring 1976.

During the year, Orlando Fals Borda has been mainly concerned with organizing a second world-wide symposium which will take place in Cartagena, Colombia, on April 18-24, 1977. He has received proposals for papers on the theme of Action-Research from a large number of sociologists from South America, North America and Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia. Particulars on the arrangements, so far, can be found in ISA BULLETIN #11.

At the present time, preparations are being made for the publication of some of the papers presented at the Zurich meeting. Since two publishing houses expressed interest, it is not as yet clear what kind of anthology will be realized exactly. The focus of this new venture, however, will be on Innovative Processes in Highly Industrialized Nations.

*IX World Congress:*

Proposals for papers for the sessions of the Research Committee at the coming World Congress should be addressed to either:

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Apartado Aereo 52508  
Bogota 2, Colombia

or

Ellen B. Hill  
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Ticino, Switzerland

A one-page abstract should be sent in. Those interested will receive further information as soon as it becomes available.

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10. SOCIOLOGY OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

*Chairperson:* Morton A. Kaplan  
*Secretary:* Alexander Yankov  
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Sofia, Bulgaria

*Report of Activities:*

The Committee held a meeting at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada, October 27-29, 1976 on the subject: "Toward World Order: Generalized Detente". The conference chairmen were M.G. Fry from Carleton University and Morton Kaplan from the University of Chicago. The Committee plans to publish the proceedings as a book.

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11. SOCIOLOGY OF AGING

*Chairperson:* Harold L. Orbach  
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*Secretary:* Betty Havens  
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*Report of Activities:*

Much of the work of the Committee Executive in 1976 has gone into developing an organization which will promote growth of the Committee and initiate preparation for a fruitful program at Uppsala in 1978. In the first respect Dr. Leonard Breen, head of the Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology at Purdue University has been appointed as chairman of the membership committee. Professor Breen and his committee will begin to function actively with the new membership applications for 1977. The Research Committee will assess a \$3.00 membership fee for 1977 payable in U.S. funds.

*IX World Congress:*

In preparation for the meetings in Uppsala, program committees are in the process of being formed and anyone who would be interested in serving on one of these committees or in presenting a paper may contact either the president (Dr. Harold Orbach) or the secretary (Betty Havens) until such time as a program chairman and committees are appointed and announced. The executive is in the process of planning meetings of committee members in North America and Europe during 1977. Further information on both the 1978 program and the upcoming regional meetings will be circulated in the Research Committee Newsletter early in 1977.

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12. SOCIOLOGY OF LAW

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*Secretary:* Jean Van Houtte  
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*Report of Activities:*

A Newsletter is published by the Committee twice a year.

In Balatonszeplak (Hungary) took place (26-29 September 1976) a conference on Sociology of Law and Legal Sciences. The theoretical introductory lecture of the conference was held by Prof. Imre Szabo, vice-president of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, with the title: "Theoretical-methodological relationships between the Sociology of Law and Legal Sciences". Another main topic was "Law and Economic Order". There were also sessions on Documentation in the field of Sociology of Law, the Teaching of Sociology of Law, Knowledge and Opinion about Law, Theoretical Hypotheses of the Sociology of Law.

A meeting is to be held in Saarbrücken in September 1977. The main topic will be "The Impact of the Research in the Field of Sociology of Law on Government Action". According to the interests of the members, round tables will be organized. Thought has been given to organizing special sessions by the working groups of the Committee. (Knowledge and Opinion about Law, Documentation on Sociology of Law, Theoretical Hypotheses in Sociology of Law).

*IX World Congress:*

The themes which were already considered are:

- Development of legal systems (Traditional versus Modern systems)
- The evolution of the family law and the role of the research in sociology of law.

For the time being, the Secretary is responsible for the program of the meeting during the World Congress.

13. SOCIOLOGY OF LEISURE

*Chairperson:* Max Kaplan  
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*Report of Activities:*

L'année qui vient s'avère de grande importance pour le comité; voici, brièvement, quelques indications sur les tâches à accomplir:

Préparation du prochain congrès de l'Association Internationale de Sociologie, Suède, 1978: la première étape consiste à établir un échéancier de travail concernant les communications qui seront présentées au congrès; à cet effet, le comité exécutif, formé du président, des vice-présidentes et du secrétaire, s'est adjoint M. Swedner, de la Suède; le prochain bulletin devrait contenir des informations détaillées à ce sujet. Il reste également à contacter d'autres groupes de recherche de l'AIS en vue d'éventuelles sessions conjointes.

Préparation d'un projet de statut pour le comité. A cet effet le secrétaire entreprendra un bref sondage auprès de certains membres du comité, avant de soumettre au comité exécutif un avant-projet de charte, lequel, après discussion, pourra être soumis à l'ensemble des membres.

Confection d'un bref questionnaire, à envoyer à tous les membres, de façon à publier en 1977 une brochure spéciale présentant l'inventaire des membres du comité.

Relations internationales: le comité demeure en contact avec diverses institutions, nationales ou internationales (World Leisure and Recreation Association, Fondation Van Clé, etc.); mais il reste à intensifier ces relations, et à faire connaître davantage le comité; un projet de brochure spéciale d'information, sur le comité, est en préparation.

Recherches et publications: C'est la tâche principale du comité que de promouvoir la recherche et la publication en matière de loisir. A cet effet le comité coopère à un projet d'étude comparative internationale sur le loisir. De plus, des projets de publications des travaux des membres sont à l'étude.

14. SOCIOLOGY OF MASS COMMUNICATIONS

*Chairperson:* José Vidal-Beneyto

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Trento, Italy

*Report of Activities:*

A meeting of the Board of the Committee was held in Paris on December 6, 1976. After having discussed the identity and role of the Committee, especially in relation to other international organizations dealing with the same problems (IAMCR, ICI, ICA, WAPOR), the desire was expressed to work towards promoting contacts and initiatives with these and other bodies that might be interested in fostering studies and research in this area. At the same time the Board debated the problem of reconsidering the disciplinary sphere of the Committee and decided it would be advantageous to widen the Committee's interests to the spheres of the Sociology of Culture and Knowledge.

The Board also considered the possibility of officially recognizing the existence of national groups that spread the initiatives of the Committee at a local level. However, it was decided to put off any official decision until Uppsala, and to encourage the informal formation of groups and, for the moment, to urge the personal support of ISA and Committee members.

Several decisions were then taken regarding the future activity of the Committee up until Summer 1978:

First, it was agreed to prepare a new series, to be published at regular intervals - as a rule every three months - of a Newsletter to inform of the Committee's activities and of any initiatives or news that might be useful to Committee members. The Newsletter will be edited by the Committee secretary to whom all requests, suggestions and any news or items that could contribute to improving the Newsletter should be addressed. The first, experimental, issue will be sent to members by the end of January 1977.

The Newsletter will also contain suggestions for the organization of the works to be presented at the next World Congress of Sociology. In particular, the Newsletter will try to link, as far as possible, the works of the Symposium (two meetings on the subject "Mass Media and Social Change") and the four meetings of the Committee.

The object of these meetings, with the exception of the last which it will be opportune to leave open in order to debate the future activities of the Committee and any organizational problems, will be decided in two earlier meetings to be held respectively in Italy (Trento) and Portugal (Lisbon).

These latter meetings will take place in 1977. The one in Trento (Italy) will be held in May 1977 and will discuss two subjects: "Organization and Creativity in Mass Media" - "Inventory and Prospects in Mass Media Research: the role of the International Committee on Mass Media".

The two subjects will be organized on the basis of essays presented by rapporteurs appointed by the Board of the Committee. The University of Trento is planning a series of facilities for those participating in the encounter.

The one in Lisbon (Portugal) is planned for September 1977 and the subject will be "Popular Alternatives to Mass Communication". In this case too a specially appointed scientific committee will take care of the task of inviting the rapporteurs for the introductory essays. The organizational details will be published in one of the Newsletters to come.

At the Committee meetings in Uppsala there will be a discussion on the outcome or proposals for research activity that emerge from the two congresses in Trento and Lisbon.

Fuller details of the items mentioned in this report will be given in the 1977 newsletters. All those interested in the Committee's activities are invited to write to the editor of the Newsletter both to advise of other activities or news and in order to receive the Newsletter opportunely.

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15. SOCIOLOGY OF MEDICINE

*Chairperson:* Mark G. Field

*Secretary:* Derek G. Gill  
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Medical Practice  
Section of Behavioral Sciences  
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*Report of Activities:*

The Committee has continued to remain very active in 1976. It has supported and been responsible for the initiative in holding both national and international meetings this year in Boston, Paris and Louvain. The Committee has also continued its dialogue with the World Health Organization over issues of interest to both organizations. The ISA is affiliated to the WHO as a non-governmental organization. The Research Committee represents the interest of the ISA with WHO and has a permanent representative based in Geneva who is able to attend on a regular basis, all meetings of the WHO committee and plenary sessions relevant to medical sociology. In addition to our permanent representative in Geneva, Prof. Manfred Pflanz undertakes the major responsibility for preparing reports and making representation to the WHO as required. The president of the committee, Dr. Mark Field, has been pursuing with WHO future activities and mutual cooperation between the two organizations. At present, the secretary of the Committee is preparing a list of the membership characterized by research skills and interests which then will serve as a mechanism for advising WHO of individuals and institutions who may be of use to them when the World Organization is pursuing a particular problem in health care organization or delivery which may require the input of medical sociologists for its resolution.

In addition to the activities outlined above, this year has seen the publication of two books arising from previous international meetings prompted and held under the auspices of the Committee. The organization of an international symposium usually imposes a tremendous burden upon the host country and institution and members of that institution that take responsibility for organizing such meetings. Those who attend such meetings usually derive very considerable benefit from the encounters but the number of people involved is necessarily limited because of the expense incurred by such activity. It is particularly gratifying to note that the results of these international meetings are now available in print and Profs. Pflanz and Sokolowska are to be congratulated for making these materials available to a wider audience.

The Boston University Institute of Comparative Health Systems sponsored by the Research Committee and the Department of Sociology at Boston University, was held, as scheduled from June 1 to July 1976, and attracted more than 60 students who took one, two or all the three courses offered by the Institute for academic credit.

Additional details may be obtained by writing Mark G. Field, Dept. of Sociology, 96-100 Cummington Street, Boston University, Boston, Mass. 02215, U.S.A.

*Past meetings and seminars:*

The International Conference on Medical Sociology was held in Paris July 6-9, 1976. Many papers were presented. For information, write to Derek Gill.

Training Programs in Medical Sociology organized by the Dept. of Sociology, Division for Medical Sociology of the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Belgium took place last August, 23-26.

*Publications:*

Cross-National Sociomedical Research: Concepts, Methods, Practice.

A seminar convened by the Akademie fur Sozialmedizin Hannover under the auspices of the Research Committee. Edited by M. Pflanz and E. Scheuch, Georg Thieme Publishers Stuttgart.

Health, Medicine, Society.

Proceedings of the International Conference on the Sociology of Medicine, Warsaw (Jablonna), August 20-25, 1973. Edited by M. Sokolowska, J. Holowka and A. Ostrowska. D. Reidel Publishing Co., Dordrecht-Holland/Boston, U.S.A.

*Collaboration with the World Health Organization:*

As well as preparing a list of its members by research activities and expertise which will be made available to WHO, the Research Committee is also developing mechanisms which will facilitate further collaboration between the two organizations. At the meetings at Uppsala, the committee hopes to convene a session jointly sponsored by the two groups focusing upon the problems of primary health care.

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16. NATIONAL MOVEMENTS AND IMPERIALISM

*Chairperson:* Anouar Abdel-Malek  
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*Report of Activities:*

Further to the 1975 report (cf. ISA BULLETIN 10), the following activities are being developed:

*Main Theme for Scientific Activities:*

As indicated in previous documents, the Research Committee is engaged upon developing a whole range of activities and publications, under the general theme "National Liberation and Social Revolution in a New World Order".

It is felt that such a broad theme can be tackled at both thematic and regional levels, as already been the case in the Montreal Symposium (April 1974), and the Cagliari joint Symposium with Isprom (December 1975).

*Scientific Meetings between the VIII and IX World Congresses:*

The year 1976 has been mainly used to study the feasibility of a series of symposia in different regions of the world, but mainly so in Asia and Africa.

The following arrangements have been achieved:

- Joint symposium with Karl Marx Universität Leipzig (Rector: Prof. Dr. L. Rathmann), Sektion Afrika-Nahostwissenschaften, on the following theme: "Social Classes and Anti-imperialist Struggles in Africa and Near-East"; Leipzig (August 24-27 1977); (R.C. officers in charge: A. Abdel-Malek; K. Ernst).
- Joint symposium with the "Center for African Studies" University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique (November-December 1977), on the following theme: "National Revolutions and Social Revolutions in Southern Africa"; (R.C. officer in charge: G. Morosini).
- Joint symposium with the "Center for the Study of the Arab Gulf", University of Basrah, Iraq; and the Dept. of Sociology, Faculty of Arts, University of Kuwait (Basrah, November 1977), on the following theme: "The role of Oil in Social and Political Changes and in the Promotion of the Economic Complementarity of the Arab Gulf Region"; (R.C. officer in charge: I. El-Zaim).
- Negotiations are proceeding towards the organization of a joint symposium in Mogadishu (Somalia), end 1977, on the "Role of the Army in the Newly Independent States in Africa" (to be finalized); (R.C. officer in charge: Y. Diallo).

*Publications:*

- The English edition of the Actes of the Montreal April 1974 Meeting have now been published, under the following title: "World Inequality", Black Rose Books, Montreal 1976.
- Negotiations are still under way to publish the collective volume of the Committee Proceedings in Toronto, entitled: "National Liberation and Imperialism".

17. SOCIOLOGY OF ORGANIZATION

*Chairperson:* Michel Crozier  
Association pour le Développement  
des Sciences Sociales Appliquées  
CSO, 88 rue de Lille  
75007 Paris, France

No report of activities has been received from this Research Committee

18. POLITICAL SOCIOLOGY

*Chairperson:* Juan Linz  
*Secretary:* Richard Rose  
Politics Dept.  
McCance Building  
University of Strathclyde  
Glasgow C.I., Scotland, U.K.

*Report of Activities:*

Tentatively the Committee is planning the following sessions for the ISA Congress at Uppsala:

Party Systems - Prof. Giovanni Sartori, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

Group Representation and Interests - Prof. R. Lepsius, Mannheim, and Prof. Philippe Schmitter, Political Science, Univ. of Chicago.

Opinion Elites and Legitimation - Profs. A. Barton, B. Denitch and C. Kadushin, Bureau of Applied Social Research, Columbia University, New York City.

Currently members of the Committee are planning a Research Planning conference preliminary to the holding of direct elections to the European Parliament, 1978.

A conference on Elections without Choice organized at the Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques in Paris in May 1976 by Dr. Guy Hermet and Dr. Alain Rouquier is being followed up with publication of a book under the same title.

19. POVERTY, SOCIAL WELFARE AND SOCIAL POLICY

*Chairperson:* Else Øyen  
Institute of Sociology  
University of Bergen  
Christiesgt. 19  
Bergen, Norway  
*Secretary:* Hans Gdnter  
International Institute for Labour  
Studies  
P.O. Box 6  
1211 Geneva 22, Switzerland

*Report of Activities:*

The Committee is in the process of reorganization. Thus far mainly concerned with the fundamental issues of equality and inequality in society, it wishes to achieve a wider research focus reflecting current problems and trends in the areas of social welfare and social policy so as to make the Committee's work more relevant for larger circles of researchers the world over.

Scandinavian members of the Research Committee met in Helsinki in August 1976 on the occasion of the Third Nordic Research Seminar on Social Policy to discuss future program developments and common interests.

The Committee intends to hold a meeting in May 1977 in Europe (probably in Geneva) on a theme in line with the new orientation and to discuss the Committee's contribution to the 1978 World Congress of Sociology.

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20. SOCIOLOGY OF MENTAL HEALTH

Chairperson: Norman Bell

Secretary: R.F. Geyer  
SISWO  
O.Z. Achterburgwal 128  
Amsterdam, Netherlands

Report of Activities:

The regional conference planned for April 1977 in Maastricht, Netherlands, for the European members of the Committee has been cancelled due to the low number of applications. No further activities are planned for 1977. The main activities will be geared mainly towards the production of a good set of papers for the next World Congress of the ISA.

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21. REGIONAL AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Chairperson: Ray Pahl

Secretary: Enzo Mingione  
Via Piave 27  
20119 Milano, Italy

Report of Activities:

The Committee's activities during 1976 can be classified under three headings: the Messina international conference, the preparation of the first three issues of the International Journal of Urban and Regional Research (IJURR) and other publications, the constitution of national sub-committees in the USA, France and Great Britain.

Copies of the list of participants at the Messina conference as well as the list of papers are available for Committee members from the secretary.

The first issue of the International Journal of Urban and Regional Research will be published in February 1977. The journal is international and interdisciplinary. It will publish critical and comparative papers on urban and regional developments throughout the world. It will be concerned with the analysis of the social basis of different forms and strategies of planning and state intervention. The journal will encourage comparative research on the diversity of patterns of urbanization. A major focus will be the examination of emerging alternative structures. The journal will be divided into four sections:

- major articles and symposia
- urban praxis - reports on current developments in urban policy and related political events
- argument - this section will provide a forum for replies to articles published in the journal
- substantial book reviews and review articles.

In May 1977 the first book edited by the Research Committee will be published: Michael Harloe, editor, Captive Cities, Wiley Publishers, Boffins Lane, Chichester, Sussex, U.K.

The Committee has been preparing an issue of Current Sociology on Urban and Regional Development to be published in 1978. Elizabeth Lebas has been appointed editor of the issue which will contain trend reports from France, Great Britain, Italy, Eastern Europe, USA, Spain and possibly other countries.

After the Messina meeting, it was decided to re-organize the Committee into large national sub-groups. These will be responsible for organizing small meetings on a national or international basis, sponsoring comparative research studies, diffusing information about the other groups and the whole Research Committee activities. Three groups have already been formed with the following coordinators (elected by the group of members who initiated the national group, subject to a democratic verification at forthcoming plenary meetings):  
Great Britain: Chris Paris, CES, 62-65 Chandos Place, London W.C.2;  
USA: John Walton, Sociology, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. 60204  
France: contact Jean Lojkine, 62 rue Raspail, 94200 Ivry, France.

Forthcoming activities:

No general meeting is foreseen for 1977. Two meetings will be organized by the American group: one in Santa Cruz, California on April 8-10, 1977, open only to members of the group; a second larger one (provisionally) later on where some international guests will be invited.

In York (January 4-8, 1977) the Centre for Environmental Studies organized the second seminar on Urban Change and Conflict (convened by M. Harloe and attended by 120 participants among whom some board members of the Committee). At this meeting the British group met for the first time and decided a preliminary program of activities.

The British and French groups are to organize various small discussion meetings through the year, some of them open to invited foreign guests.

Prof. Mirowski (Warsaw), fully sponsored by the Committee, will try to organize a meeting in Poland attended by Eastern European scholars, members of the board and a restricted number of other invited scholars. Through this meeting the Committee will try to establish an organized group in Eastern Europe.

The Committee will also sponsor the constitution of national groups in Italy, Spain, Germany and in any other region or nation where membership and interest are sufficiently large.

IX World Congress:

The board appointed as Program Chairman Prof. Jean Lojkine (address above), in association with Prof. Robert Alford at the following address:

Dept. of Sociology  
University of California  
Santa Cruz, Ca., USA

The Program Chairman will invite a very restricted number of papers (maximum two per session) and discussants for each session or paper.

The Committee has delegated to Profs. Pahl and Mingione any decision concerning travel grants for the Uppsala Congress.

*Messina and Reggio Calabria Conference - April 1976 (International Conference on Social Problems of Urban and Regional Development):*

The conference was attended by more than 200 participants from 19 countries.

In the various sessions 48 papers and various oral contributions were presented. The conference was the second largest sociological meeting organized in Italy after the IV World Congress of Sociology (Stresa, 1959) and the first held in the South.

The arguments debated at the conference were among the most important themes regarding current societies: industrialization and urbanization, relations between rural and urban development, economic and political crisis, urban and local politics, regional underdevelopment and development.

Many of the papers given at the conference will be printed in various readers and some of them will be published in the new International Journal of Regional and Urban Development.

22. SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION

Chairperson: Hans Mol  
in 1977: Dept. of Sociology  
Institute of Advanced Studies  
Australian National University  
Box 4, GPO  
Canberra, Act., Australia

Secretary: Karel Dobbeleere  
Département de Sociologie  
Université Catholique de Louvain  
E van Evenstraat 2C  
B-3000 Leuven, Belgium

Report of activities:

The board met at Lloret de Mar during the CISR conference and decided to continue its policy of cooperation with the Conférence Internationale de Sociologie Religieuse. It will reconvene in 1977 at the CISR conference in Strasbourg (France) and cooperate with the CISR in organizing the Strasbourg meetings on Religion and Symbolism.

The secretariat will publish a Newsletter once a year, informing the membership on meetings in the field of the sociology of religion.

IX World Congress:

The following sessions have been arranged:

- Religion and Social Development  
Chairman: D.M. Ugrinowitsch  
Chair of Scientific Atheism  
Lomonosov University  
Moscow V-234, USSR
- Religion and Identity  
Chairman: Hans Mol  
(address as above)
- Religion and Secularization  
Chairman: Karel Dobbeleere  
(address as above)
- New Religious Movements  
Chairman: Meredith B. McGuire  
Dept. of Sociology  
Montclair State College  
Upper Montclair, N.J.07043, USA.
- Religion and Spiritual Well-Being  
Chairman: David O. Moberg  
Dept. of Sociology & Anthropology  
Marquette University  
Milwaukee, Wis. 53233, USA
- Religion and Death  
Chairman: Glen M. Vernon  
Dept. of Sociology  
University of Utah  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84112, USA

Dr. Hans Mol will coordinate the meetings sponsored by the Research Committee at the Congress. Colleagues should contact him.

23. SOCIOLOGY OF SCIENCE

Chairperson: Robert K. Merton

Secretary: Peter Weingart  
Universität Bielefeld  
Postfach 8640  
48 Bielefeld, F.R.G.

Report of Activities:

The Committee held a joint meeting with the Society for Social Studies of Science ("4S") at Cornell University November 4-6, 1976.

At the business meeting of the ISA/RC it was decided, to hold the next meeting at Budapest upon the invitation of the Institute of Sociology and the Research Group on Science Organization of the Hungarian Academy of Science. Final approval of the plan depends only on receiving evidence of sufficient international participation at the conference. In order to provide us with the necessary information, the secretary has sent a questionnaire to members of the Research Committee to indicate the likelihood of their taking part. The tentative structure of the meeting is as follows:

- Cultural and social contexts of science
- Social aspects of the relation between science and technology
- Sociology of the research process.

Members have been asked to decide for the meeting to be held either the first half of September 1977, in October, or in November.

24. SOCIAL ECOLOGY

Chairperson: Mattei Dogan

Secretary: Michel Bassand  
EPFL Département d'Architecture  
Chaire de Sociologie  
12, avenue de l'Eglise Anglaise  
B.P.1024, 1001 Lausanne, Switzerland

Report of Activities:

The main activity of the Committee has been the organization of the International Workshop on Comparative Ecological Analysis of Social Change, August 1-12, 1976, Ljubljana.

On the occasion of board meetings and Committee Business meetings held in Toronto in August 1974, it was decided to accept the proposition of Z. Mlinar to organize in August 1976, in Ljubljana, an international workshop on comparative ecological analysis of social change. The workshop's purposes were to improve the predictive capacity of social ecology by bringing together diverse research undertakings in various countries on local and regional social and political units. More than 100 sociologists from various parts of the world participated at the workshop. 50 papers were presented and discussed. A selection of these papers will probably be published in the Sage Studies of International Sociology. The workshop, which was very successful in realizing its purposes, was organized most admirably by the Yugoslav Committee chaired by Z. Mlinar.

*IX World Congress:*

The Committee is organizing four, and hopefully, five sessions. The names of the chairmen and titles of the sessions are given below. Potential contributors should write direct to the chairmen of those sessions which interest them.

Theories of Ecological Change

Chairman: Henry Teune  
Dept. of Political Science  
Wharton School  
Univ. of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia, Pen. 19104, USA

How the Private Automobile Destroys City Social Life

Chairman: Mattei Dogan  
72, bd. Arago  
75013 Paris, France

Ecological Aspects of Segregation in Metropolitan Areas: Comparative Aspects

Chairman: Michel Bassand  
(address above)

Comparative Ecological Analysis of Social Change: Research in Progress

Chairman: Zdravko Mlinar  
Faculty of Sociology & Journalism  
University of Ljubljana  
Ljubljana, Titova 102, Yugoslavia

Aggregate Analysis and Generalizations from Factorial Analyses

Chairmen: Carl-Gunnar Janson  
Sociologisk Institutionen  
Stockholms Universitet  
Fack  
10405 Stockholm 50, Sweden  
  
Frank Sweetser  
Dept. of Sociology  
Boston University  
96 Cummington St.  
Boston, Mass. 02215, U.S.A.

*Task Forces:*

The Task Forces of the Committee have been re-defined as follows:

Theory and Methodology in Ecological Research  
(H. Teune)

Ecological Analyses and Social Change  
(Z. Mlinar)

Microecology  
(C.G. Janson)

Ecological Aspects of the Quality of Life  
(S.Deutsch, Milbrath, Williams)

The Automobile and the City  
(Grossin)

25. SOCIOLINGUISTICS

*Chairperson:* Albert Verdoodt

*Secretary:* Richard Grathoff  
Fachbereich Soziologie  
Universitat Konstanz  
D-7750 Konstanz, F.R.G.

*Report of Activities:*

The Committee reports in 1976 a membership roll of 66 paid-up members from all parts of the world.

The most prominent activity of the Committee is the publication of the "Sociolinguistics Newsletter", which appears in 1976 in its seventh volume, three or four issues a year. It reports on "Topics of Current Sociolinguistic Research", on "Activities and Interests of its Contributors", but especially on the "Teaching of Sociolinguistics", on course schedules and recent publications. The Newsletter has a worldwide distribution of more than 500 recipients. Thanks to a most general support by the University of Montana, the further publication of the Newsletter has been assured. The Committee invites subscriptions and inquiries to be addressed to the Managing Editor:

Jon Driessen  
Scholars Press  
University of Montana  
Missoula, Montana 59801, USA.

The further activities of the board have centered on two main points: preparations for the next World Congress in Uppsala and activities in Western Europe to found further scholarly organizations in sociolinguistics.

The program for the Uppsala meeting in 1978 is being organized by Jonathan Pool at the following address:

Dept. of Political Science  
State University of New York at  
Stony Brook  
Stony Brook, N.Y. 11794, USA

In contrast to the impossible load of about 200 sociolinguistic papers prepared for the last meetings in Toronto, the Committee will reduce the load considerably. Pre-conferences in various countries are planned next year to allow for a certain amount of screening of the papers. The following sessions are planned for the Congress:

- Language and International Relations
- Language and Ethnic Interaction
- Language and Sex
- Verbal and Non-Verbal Aspects of Face-to-Face Communication
- Language and the Mass Media
- The Sociology of Language Learning and Teaching
- Language Planning and Socioeconomic Development
- The Scope, Goals, and Methods of Sociolinguistics
- Other Topics in Sociolinguistics
- Administrative session.

President Verdoodt participated at meetings held in Belgium, France, Germany and the Netherlands in order to create sociolinguistic sections in the framework of the national sociological associations in these countries. As a member of the editorial board of the International Journal of the Sociology of Language, he prepared a special issue on sociolinguistics in Belgium (to be published in 1977). He was also the senior editor (together with past President R. Kjolseth) of "Language in Sociology" containing 10 characteristic papers from the 180 sociolinguistic contributions presented in Toronto. The Editions Peeters in Louvain have published the volume.

The second Vice-President, Lluís Aracil, reports on the activities of the Grup Català de Sociolinguística, founded at his initiative in 1973, preparing the Language section of the forthcoming Congress of Catalan Culture (Barcelona, spring 1977). Changes in this area may be illustrated by the fact that the University of Barcelona has introduced Sociolinguistics as a recognized subject into its curriculum.

An action committee for the formation of a sociolinguistics section in the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie (Dittmar, Grathoff, Schütze) has been established as an initiative of the Committee in October 1976 in Bielefeld. Four conferences

and workshops on Face-to-Face Communication, Interpretive Methods, and Biographical Studies are planned by this group in 1977/78.

Other activities prepared by the Committee for 1977 and 1978 can be summarized as follows:

- Albert Verdoodt and Lluís Aracil are preparing an international sociolinguistic round table in Perpignan (France) July 24-30, 1977.

- Albert Verdoodt engaged the Committee in two UNESCO-sponsored research projects: "Clarifying Concepts and Criteria in Social Sciences" and "Sociolinguistic Problems of Migrant Workers".

The Committee refers to further and more detailed reports on other activities in sociolinguistics in its "Sociolinguistics Newsletter".

The English-language version is to be edited by Adam Podgorecki, and the German edition will be edited by Joachim K.H.W. Schmidt. (An Italian edition is still being negotiated). All the papers to be published focus on the questions of value and efficiency of social activities.

The next meeting of the Research Committee is planned for December 1977 in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. The theme of the conference will be "Planning, Legislation, and Freedom", and discussions are planned for the purpose of defining the proper curriculum for social engineering as it takes place in the university and prepares sociologists for the new career of sociotechnics. The chief organizer of this conference is Prof. Regina Hommes, Faculteit der Sociale Wetenschappen of the Erasmus University in Rotterdam.

Finally, we should note that Vol. 23, No. 1, of Current Sociology will soon appear; the issue is edited by Adam Podgorecki and devoted entirely to the new field of sociotechnics. However, since the material included in this volume was gathered before 1970 and contains a bibliography listing only publications dated through 1972, it is not necessarily representative of the present state of development in the field of sociotechnics.

26. SOCIOTECHNICS

Chairperson: Adam Podgorecki

Secretary: Allen Barton  
Bureau of Applied Social Research  
Columbia University  
605 West 115th Street  
New York, N.Y. 10025, USA

Report of Activities:

"Sociotechnics" derives from an initiative of the section of Sociotechnics of the Polish Sociological Association. After having met for more than ten years with other Polish sociologists, Adam Podgorecki, the Chairman of this section, proposed in 1970 to the ISA the establishment of this Research Committee. Since this proposal has been accepted, there has been an attempt to locate social scientists throughout the world who are interested in the new topic of academic inquiry. In November 1973 these interested scholars met at Loughborough University, England. Their meeting served two purposes: it first provided a definition and determined the orientation of the new discipline; secondly, it specified the major problems in the field; and finally, it formally established the Research Committee on Sociotechnics of the ISA. The results of this initial meeting were later published in both English and German. The English edition, edited by Albert B. Cherns, was titled Sociotechnics (London: Malaby Press, 1976), and the German edition was edited by Joachim K.H.W. Schmidt and titled Planvolle Steuerung Gesellschaftlichen Handelns - Grundlegende Beiträge zur Gesellschaftstechnik und Gesellschaftsarchitektur (Opladen: Westdeutscher Verlag, 1975).

Both editions offer a selection of papers which were submitted for both editions, and both stressed the fact that sociologists are here dealing with a new methodology. Sociotechnics, or social engineering, has emerged as essentially a general theory of an efficient methodology of social action.

During the VIII World Congress of the ISA in Toronto in 1974, the Research Committee on Sociotechnics organized several sessions.

In 1975 the Committee scheduled an independent meeting in Warsaw, Poland, where scholars from 14 countries met to discuss problems of social values and social engineering. It can be stated that this conference was a complete success, and efforts are now being made to publish the proceedings and papers of this third conference on sociotechnics.

27. SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT

Chairperson: Gunther Luschen

Secretary: Gerald S. Kenyon  
Dean  
University of Waterloo  
Waterloo, Ont., Canada

Report of Activities:

The 1976 business meetings of the Committee and of the Editorial Board of the International Review of Sport Sociology were held during the pre-Olympic Scientific Congress at Quebec City, Canada, in July. As part of the International Congress of Physical Activity Sciences (CISAP), a major session (disciplinary seminar) reported initial findings from the ICSS cross-national project on Leisure Role Socialization. This session presented national and comparative findings for Belgium (U. Claeys), Canada (B. McPherson), Japan (K. Kageyama), and Norway (S. Stensaasen). An introduction and overview to the project was presented by G. Kenyon (Canada) with additional observations provided by G. Patriksson (Sweden).

It is likely that the ICSS Board and the Editorial Board of the International Review will meet in Europe during the spring of 1977.

IX World Congress:

The Committee will hold the following three sessions:

- Sport and Social Development
- Sport and Youth (jointly with the ISA Research Committee on the Sociology of Youth)
- Sociology of Sport - General Problems and Issues of Methodology

Titles for papers with short abstracts (preliminary) should be submitted not later than April 1, 1977 to:

Gunther Luschen  
Dept. of Sociology  
University of Illinois  
Urbana, Ill. 61801, U.S.A.

Because of the organizational requirements of the Congress, such early submission of titles and abstracts is essential.

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28. SOCIAL STRATIFICATION

*Chairperson:* Kaare Svalastoga

*Secretary:* Walter Muller  
Universität Mannheim  
Lehrstuhl für Soziologie III  
68 Mannheim, F.R.G.

*Report of Activities:*

The main activity of the Research Committee in 1976 was the Jerusalem Seminar on Mobility and Social Stratification, held April 28-30. The realization of this successful conference is mainly due to the initiative and organizational activities of Dov Weintraub and Judah Matras, Hebrew University, Jerusalem. Participants to the seminar came from Canada, Denmark, Federal Republic of Germany, Finland, France, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Nigeria, Sweden, Switzerland and the U.S.A. The work of the seminar referred to reports and discussion of results of ongoing research projects on mobility and social stratification in most of the countries represented, to theoretical and methodological problems and to comparative research in the field. Particular attention was given to the impressive quantity and quality of studies on stratification and mobility being done in Israel.

A conference of the Research Committee will take place in Dublin April 5-7, 1977. The theme of the meeting is not specific to any area of social stratification, but it is anticipated that continuing reports will be available from a number of national mobility studies. It is also hoped that one session might be devoted to a set of papers covering recent issues in the relationship between education and social mobility and that there will also be a number of papers addressing themselves to the integration of social mobility analyses and theories of stratification.

Before the next World Congress in Uppsala (1978) an additional two further meetings sponsored by the Research Committee are planned: one is offered by Prof. Caserman, to take place in Ljubljana (Yugoslavia), the other by Prof. Loetsch, to be organized in Berlin (GDR).

Correspondence concerning the meeting in Dublin should be addressed to:

Prof. J.A. Jackson  
Dept. of Sociology  
Trinity College  
Dublin 2, U.K.

*IX World Congress:*

The officer responsible for the program is Walter Muller, at the above address.

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29. DEVIANCE AND SOCIAL CONTROL

*Chairperson and Secretary:* Jim Hackler  
Dept. of Sociology  
University of Alberta  
Edmonton, Alta. T6G 2H4, Canada

*Report of Activities:*

*Future meetings:*

Conférence à Lyon, France, 29-31 Juillet 1977  
"Les fonctions sociales des déviations et les modalités de leur contrôle".

Le coordonnateur du programme de la conférence est Jacques Selosse, Centre de formation et de recherche de l'éducation surveillée, 54 rue de Garches, 92420 Vaucresson. Les responsables de l'organisation de la conférence sont Inez Dussuyer et Marcel Colin, Département de Criminologie, Institut Universitaire Alexandre Lacassagne, 8 Ave. Rockefeller, Lyon, France.

La conférence sera en français uniquement et aucune traduction en anglais n'est prévue. Plusieurs débats et discussions sont prévus sur le thème de la conférence et l'accent sera mis sur la recherche comparative (cross-cultural research). Les personnes intéressées à participer à cette conférence sont priées de contacter le professeur Selosse dans les plus brefs délais.

Conference in Vienna, September 1-3, 1977

"Sex Roles, Deviance, and the Agencies of Social Control".

Rita Simon, Dept. of Sociology, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill. 61820, U.S.A., will be the program chairperson for this conference. The Research Committee on Sex Roles in Society will be co-sponsoring this gathering. Hopefully the Committee will be able to tap some of the cross-cultural interest that might stimulate research in other parts of the world. Suggestions for sessions, people who might contribute to this gathering, and other ideas should be sent to Rita Simon. Abstracts of proposed papers should be sent by February 1, 1977.

*Other News:*

The Canadian Association for the Advancement of Research in Criminology received a grant of \$700 in 1974 to provide translation and mailing costs for that Canadian organization and for the Research Committee. Those funds were consumed in 1974 and 1975. At present the Committee has approximately 170 paid-up members and a number of others who have expressed interest but have not paid. Based on the 135 members as of July 15, 1976, the Committee deposited \$442 (US) in a bank in San Jose, California and \$220.33 (Canadian) in a bank in Edmonton, Alberta. These funds will probably be consumed by newsletters by August 1978.

Membership of \$5, valid until the Uppsala meetings, can be sent to Jim Hackler at the above address.

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30. SOCIOLOGY OF WORK

*Chairperson:* Jolanta Kulpinska

*Secretary:* Marc Maurice  
Laboratoire d'Economie et de Sociologie du Travail  
C.N.R.S.  
Chemin du Coton Rouge  
13100 Aix-en-Provence, France

*Report of Activities:*

The Committee now has 60 members from 15 countries.

On September 23-25, 1976, the conference on "Humanization on work and social planning" was held in Warsaw, organized by Polish sociologists. 17 foreign participants invited from among the members of the Committee took part in the meeting. It was one of several conferences organized by the Committee. In 1975, the Committee members from the GDR organized a meeting on "Workers' attitude towards Work". For 1977 (most likely in September) another conference is tentatively planned in France on "Division of labour and working conditions".

During the Warsaw meeting, 3 members of the Board, J. Kulpinska, M. Maurice and R. Stollberg, reviewed the organizational problems of the Committee, particularly preparations for the ISA World Congress in Uppsala in 1978.

*IX World Congress:*

Taking into account the research interests of the members as well as the main theme of the Congress, the Committee suggests the following topics for its sessions:

- Working patterns and social development
- Workers' attitudes and job satisfaction
- The emergence and disappearance of occupations.

Requests should be addressed to the Committee secretary at the above address.

31. *SOCIOLOGY OF MIGRATION*

*Chairperson:* Anthony Richmond

*Secretary:* Anne Lee  
165 Tipperary Rd.  
Athens, Ga. 30601, U.S.A.

*Report of Activities:*

No annual report has been received from the Committee.

*IX World Congress:*

The following sessions are planned:

- Joint session with the Research Committee on Ethnic, Race & Minority Relations titled Migration and Ethnic Conflict in Metropolitan Areas.

Joint convenors: John Rex  
University of Warwick  
Coventry, U.K.

Anthony H. Richmond  
York University  
Toronto, Canada

- Session on Internal Migration in Developing Countries.

Convenor: J.J. Mangalam  
Dalhousie University  
Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
Canada

- Session on Internal Migration in Advanced Societies.

Convenor: Anne Lee  
(address as above)

- Session on International Migration and Immigrant Adaptation.

Convenor: Sylvan Tomasi  
Centre for Migration Studies  
209 Flagg Place  
Staten Island, N.Y.10304,  
USA

32. *SEX ROLES IN SOCIETY*

*Co-Chairpersons:* Elise Boulding  
Andrée Michel

*Secretary:* Dorothy Carson  
Inst. of Behavioral Science  
University of Colorado  
Boulder, Col. 80302, U.S.A.

No report of activities has been received from this Committee.

33. *LOGIC AND METHODOLOGY OF SOCIOLOGY*

*Chairperson:* Stefan Nowak

*Secretary:* Edgar F. Borgatta  
Rupert, Vt. 05768  
U.S.A.

No report of activities has been received from this Committee.

34. *SOCIOLOGY OF YOUTH*

*Chairperson* Ovidiu Badina  
*(provisional):* Academia "Stefan Gheorgiu"  
B-dul Armata Poporului 1-3  
Bucharest 7, Rumania.

*Report of Activities:*

Between April 20 and 22, 1976, there was held in Sofia the International Council for the Coordination of the Compared Research, having the theme: "The Influence of the Superior Training in the Creation and Development of the Social Structure of the Socialist Society".

Representatives of specialized institutes from Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and the USSR participated in the proceedings.

In Leipzig, in the GDR, there was held, May 4-9, 1976, the bilateral seminar between the Center of Research for Youth Problems from Rumania and the Institute for Youth Research from Leipzig, with the theme: "The Scientific Research of the Training Processes, of the Formation to the Young People of the Convictions, Attitudes and Socialist Behaviours, in their Work and Life".

May 24-27, 1976, there was held in Budapest, the first meeting of the work group on the subject of research: "Relationship between the Social Structure and the Educational Systems". To this participated 15 specialists, representatives of institutes of scientific research from Bulgaria, GDR, Poland, Hungary and the USSR.

In Primorsko (Bulgaria) there was held September 14-18, the symposium with the subject: "The Standardization of the Social Variables in Youth Research." To this symposium participated specialists on problems of youth research from Bulgaria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Cuba, GDR, Poland, Rumania and the USSR. The sessions were held in plenary meetings and on the following subjects:

- the Standardization of the "Social Stratus" Variable
- The Standardization of the "Age" Variable
- The Basic Notions of the Theory on Youth.

*IX World Congress:*

A joint session is planned with the International Committee for Sociology of Sport.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM FOR IX WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY  
PROGRAMME SCIENTIFIQUE DU IX CONGRES MONDIAL DE SOCIOLOGIE

UPPSALA, SWEDEN, August 14-19, 1978

UPPSALA, SUÈDE, 14-19 août 1978

General Theme: *PATHS OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT*

Thème Général: *LES VOIES DU DEVELOPPEMENT SOCIAL*

Session	Chair Président	Rapporteur
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PL II Processes, Contradictions & Conflicts in the Transformation of Modern Societies Processus, Contradictions et Conflits dans la Transformation des Sociétés Contemporaines	R. Bendix Dept. of Political Science University of California Berkeley, Ca. 94720 U.S.A.	J. Watanuki Institute of International Relations Sophia University, 7 Kioi-Cho, Chiyoda-ku Tokyo 102, Japan
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WG 9 Planners, Managers & Entrepreneurs Planificateurs, Administrateurs et Entrepreneurs	Yogendra Singh Centre for the Study of Social Systems Jawaharlal Nehru University New Mehrauli Rd., New Delhi 110057, India	Michel Crozier CSO 88 rue de Lille 75007 Paris, France
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WG 11	Economic Systems and Patterns of Social Development Systèmes Economiques et Modèles de Développement Social	Rudi Weidig Nationalkomitee für Soziologische Forsch. Akademie der Wissenschaften der D.D.R. Otto-Nuschke str. 22/23, 108 Berlin, G.D.R.	N.J. Smelser Dept. of Sociology University of California Berkeley, Ca. 94720, USA
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WG 14	Civilizations: One or Many? Une ou plusieurs civilisations?	Anouar Abdel-Malek CNRS, 54 Bd. Raspail 75006 Paris, France	
WG 15	Cultural Continuity in a Changing World Continuité Culturelle dans un Monde en changement	C. Nakane Institute of Oriental Culture University of Tokyo, Hongo Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, Japan	
WG 16	Comparative Studies of Changing Attitudes & Values Etudes Comparatives des Attitudes et des Valeurs en Changement	Stefan Nowak Dept. of Sociology, Warsaw University ul. Karowa 18, Warsaw 00 330, Poland	S.M. Lipset Dept. of Sociology, Stanford University Stanford, Ca. 94305, U.S.A.
WG 17	Counter-Culture & Protest Contre-Culture et Mouvements contestataires		H.P. Dreitzel Institut für Soziologie, Freie University Berlin Garystrasse 21, 1000 Berlin 33, FRG.
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SYMP 2	Sociology and History Sociologie et Histoire	K. Kulcsar Institute of Sociology Hungarian Academy of Sciences Uri Utca 49, Budapest 1, Hungary	C. Tilly Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Michigan Ann Arbor, Mich. U.S.A.
SYMP 3	Comparative Analysis of Whole Societies Analyse Comparative des Sociétés Globales	Adam Podgorecki Inst. Profil. Społecznej i Resoc. U.W. ul. Podchorążych 20, 00721 Warsaw, Poland	S.N. Eisenstadt The Van Leer Jerusalem Foundation P.O.Box 4070, Jerusalem, Israel
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SYMP 5	Quality of Life: Comparative Perspectives La Qualité de la Vie: Perspectives Comparatives	Alexander Szalai Karl Marx University of Economic Sciences Attila-Ut 125, Budapest, Hungary	
SYMP 6	Conceptions of Social Disability Théories de l'inadaptation sociale	E. Freidson Dept. of Sociology, New York University 19 University Place, Room 300 New York, N.Y. 10003, USA	Else Øyen Sociological Institute University of Bergen Christiesgt. 19, 5000 Bergen, Norway

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SYMP 8 The Education of the Sociologist La formation du sociologue		L.I. Ramallo FLACSO Paraguay 577/10 Piso Buenos Aires, Argentina
SYMP 9 The Role of the Sociologist in Development Planning Le rôle du sociologue dans la planification du développement	P.K.B. Nayar Dept. of Sociology University of Kerala Kariavattom, P.O., Trivandrum, India	Z. Sufin Inst. of Philosophy & Sociology Polish Academy of Sciences 72 Nowy Swiat, Warsaw, Poland
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AD HOC GROUPS AND OTHER SESSIONS

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Ad Hoc 2 Participation, Self-Management and Workers' Control	Rudi Supek Gorana Kovacica 2 Zagreb, Yugoslavia	La participation, l'autogestion et le contrôle des travailleurs
Ad Hoc 3 Committee on Conceptual and Terminological Analysis (COCTA)	Giovanni Sartori Dept. of Political Science Stanford University Stanford, Ca. 94305, USA Fred Riggs Dept. of Political Science University of Hawaii Honolulu, Hawaii 96822, USA	Le comité sur l'analyse conceptuelle et terminologique (COCTA)

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Ad Hoc 4 The Professions and the Social Structure	G.K. Gyarmati Instituto de Sociologia Univ. Catolica de Chile Casilla 114-D, Santiago de Chile, Chile	Les professions et la structure sociale
Ad Hoc 5 Psycho-History	P. Ekeh Dept. of Political Science University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria	La psycho-histoire
Ad Hoc 6 Social Science and the Editing/Publishing Process	I.L. Horowitz Dept. of Sociology, Livingston College Rutgers University New Brunswick, N.J. 08903, USA	Les sciences sociales et le processus de l'édition et de la publication
Ad Hoc 7 Alienation Theory and Research	R.F. Geyer SISWO O.Z. Achterburgwal 128 Amsterdam, the Netherlands	La théorie et la recherche sur l'aliénation
Ad Hoc 8 Phenomenological Sociology	J. O'Neill Dept. of Sociology, Founders College York University Downsview, Ont., Canada	La sociologie phénoménologique
Ad Hoc 9 Sociology and Society in Mediterranean Europe	J.M. de Miguel Dept. de Sociologia Univ. Autonoma de Barcelona Bellaterra, Barcelona, Spain	La sociologie et la société dans l'Europe méditerranéenne
Ad Hoc 10 Time Budgets and Social Activities	W. Michelson The Child in the City, Univ. of Toronto 158 St. George St. Toronto, Ont. M5S 2V8, Canada	Les budgets-temps et les activités sociales
Ad Hoc 11 Housing and the Physical Environment	Sylvia F. Fava 72-12 35th Ave. Jackson Heights, N.Y. 11372, USA	Le logement et l'environnement
Ad Hoc 12 Rural Communities in Industrialized Societies	David C. Pitt Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Auckland Private Bag, Auckland, New Zealand	Les communautés rurales dans les sociétés industrielles
Ad Hoc 13 International Trends in Social Welfare Policy	Elizabeth Huttman Dept. of Sociology California State University Hayward, Ca. 94542, USA	Les tendances internationales dans la politique du bien-être social
Ad Hoc 14 Socialist Development	Tom R. Burns Institute of Sociology, Univ. of Oslo Blindern, Box 1096 Oslo 3, Norway	Le développement du socialisme
Ad Hoc 15 Changes in Work and Social Stratification	J. Kulpinska University of Lodz Kasprzaka 55-8, Lodz, Poland  W. Wesolowski Instytut Filozofii i Socjologii Polish Academy of Sciences Nowy Swiat 72, Warsaw, Poland	Les changements dans le travail et la stratification sociale
Ad Hoc 16 Sociology of Art	Bernard L. Faber Dept. of Sociology & Anthropology Connecticut College New London, Ct. 06320, USA	La sociologie de l'art

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Ad Hoc 18 Sociology of Disasters: New Directions in Theory and Research	V.A. Taylor Disaster Research Center Ohio State University 127-129 West 10th Ave. Columbus, Ohio 43201, USA	La sociologie des désastres: Nouvelles orientations dans la théorie et la recherche
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SSO 2 World Association of Public Opinion Research (WAPOR)	K. Lang WAPOR 1500 Stanley St., Suite 520 Montreal, P.Q., Canada	L'Association mondiale de recherches sur l'opinion publique (WAPOR)
SSO 3 Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction	Gunther Luschen Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Illinois Urbana, Ill. 61801, USA	La société pour l'étude de l'inter- action symbolique

\* SSO: Special Session organized by other Associations or Institutions

FURTHER APPLICATIONS to organize *Ad Hoc Groups* and *Special Sessions organized by Other Associations or Institutions* will be welcome and will be accepted by the Executive Committee within the criteria of time, space and relevance. 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 applications must be received by the end of March 1977 so that final decisions can be taken at the May 1977 meetings of the Executive Committee. Applicants will be informed of these decisions soon afterwards.

INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO CONTRIBUTE papers are asked to send these directly to the organizers of the session to which they wish to contribute. The names and addresses of the organizers of each session are given on the preceding pages of this BULLETIN. Only in cases where no name is given should potential contributors write to the Secretariat.

In addition to the official program listed above, each Research Committee organizes sessions on their own specialty. These sessions of Research Committees will be incorporated into the Congress Program after each one has completed its arrangements. Individuals wishing to contribute papers that they think will fit into the subject matter of a Research Committee should correspond directly with the officers of the relevant Research Committee. Their names and addresses will be found in the present BULLETIN.

Contributors to this program should be aware of the fact that the publication of the "Transactions of the World Congresses" has been discontinued; they have been replaced by a series of volumes entitled "Sage Studies in International Sociology". This means that not all contributions will be published by the ISA. The selection of papers and sessions to be actually published in this new series will be made by the Publications Committee in consultation with editors and the Editorial Board. Until such decisions have been made, the ISA reserves to itself the copyright on all papers contributed to the official program. Authors will be informed as soon as decisions on publication have been taken; in the cases of papers that are not to be included in one of the SSIS volumes, the ISA relinquishes the copyright and the author is free to make other plans for publication.

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GRANTS TO RESEARCH COMMITTEES FOR 1977

The results of the vote from the Research Coordinating Committee are as follows:

- R.C.#28 - 5 votes (1 vote allocates \$250)
- R.C.#15 - 5 votes (1 vote allocates \$250)
- R.C.#25 - 5 votes (5 vote allocate \$500)
- R.C.#24 - 4 votes (1 vote allocates \$100)
- R.C.#29 - 3 votes
- R.C.# 9 - 3 votes (1 vote allocates \$200)
- R.C.# 3 - 1 vote
- R.C.#30 - 0 vote

On the basis of the distribution of the votes, the Secretariat made a proposal to the Chairman of the Research Coordinating Committee (Alain Touraine), which was accepted. The grants have therefore been distributed in the following manner:

- R.C.#25 - \$500
- R.C.#28 - \$400
- R.C.#15 - \$400
- R.C.#24 - \$300
- R.C.#29 - \$200
- R.C.# 9 - \$200

CALENDAR OF FUTURE SOCIOLOGICAL MEETINGS SPONSORED BY ISA OR BY OTHER SCIENTIFIC BODIES

April 14-17 1977 Annual meeting of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations (US)

Place Bradford College Haverhill, Mass., USA

Conference Chairman: Benjamin Nelson 29 Woodbine Ave. Stony Brook, N.Y. 11790, USA

May 20-21 1977 International meeting co-sponsored by the Institute of Sociology of the University of Bologna, and the 'Amministrazione per le Attivita' Assistenziali Italiane Ed Internazionali (A.A.I.)

Place Universita di Bologna Istituto di Sociologia Bologna, Italy

Theme New Models of Social Relation for Old People

AOût 21-26 1977 IXe colloque régional du Conseil international de l'action sociale - Europe, Moyen-Orient, Bassin méditerranéen.

Lieu Centre de congrès du Palais Impérial de Vienne, Autriche - traduction simultanée.

Thème Relations entre les groupes d'âge dans la société. Le colloque est ouvert à tous les travailleurs sociaux des régions concernées.

Responsable de la Conférence M.A. Rupp Assist. secrétaire général Conseil international de l'Action Sociale 42 rue Cambronne 75740 Paris Cedex 15, France Inscription avant le 1er juin 1977.

PAST MEETINGS

ISSC-MSH Symposium on Capitalism and the Rise of the National State in Europe, XVI to XVIII Centuries - Bellagio 14-17 October 1976.

The International Social Science Council and the Maison des Sciences de l'Homme in Paris agreed in 1975 to develop a joint program of Symposia on Innovative Works in the Social Sciences.

The first of these Symposia took place in October 1976 at the Villa Serbelloni at Bellagio. The Rockefeller Foundation had generously offered board and lodging at the Villa and travel funds had been provided by the Maison des Sciences de l'Homme and a number of National Research Councils.

The Symposium focused on two recent works on the macro-sociological interpretation of the distinctiveness of European history:

Perry Anderson's Lineages of the Absolutist State and Immanuel Wallerstein's The Modern World System.

The Symposium was directed by Fernand Braudel and Stein Rokkan. There were altogether 20 participants: 5 Scandinavians, 4 French, 3 from the U.S., 2 Italians, 2 Poles, one each from the FRG, Hungary, Turkey and the U.K.

JOURNALS

Language Problems and Language Planning is the title of a journal to be published beginning in 1977 by Mouton & Co. of the Hague and Paris. The editor is Richard E. Wood of Adelphi University, USA. The purpose of the journal will be to provide a forum for article-length studies, reviews, and review essays on problems and policies associated with language as a social phenomenon. Problems of language diversity, linguistic minorities and their rights, language in education, the standardization and development of languages, the role of language in economic planning, and language-related attitudes and behavior are examples of the topics that the journal will cover. It will particularly emphasize comparative studies, case studies with general significance, and studies of language problems that transcend the boundaries of a single country.

It will be an international journal in every sense. Its editorial committee will represent all parts of the world. The title of the journal will appear in several languages on the cover, and there will be no restriction on the language in which an author may propose a manuscript, except the ability of the editor to find competent reviewers. (Professor Wood himself reads 25 languages). Summaries in other languages, depending on the desired audience, will accompany articles, and the editorial office will also arrange for any article to be translated into any language for a moderate fee.

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Subscriptions may be entered with Co-Libri (agent for Mouton), at Box 482, The Hague 2076, Netherlands. For the convenience of North American subscribers, a subscription agent has been appointed for this journal in the U.S.: write (and make cheque payable) to:

Language Problems & Language Planning Box 105, Pharr, Texas 78577 U.S.A.

Futures Canada, official bulletin of the Canadian Association for Futures Studies (CAFS) published its first issue in July 1976. A quarterly devoted to the investigation of alternative Canadian and global futures, Futures Canada welcomes the insights of sociologists on major societal problems. It is the policy of the editorial board to include all items of widespread interest to students of the future. Typical departments are: conference reports, news of significant events, regional developments and activities, forthcoming Canadian and international meetings, and new books. The editorial board publishes a directory of the Association's members and an annual Futures Canada Book Review Supplement containing signed reviews of significant new works. Futures Canada plans to gradually expand the bulletin to a journal format, with both solicited and referred articles. Items written for Futures Canada by the Association's Executive or the editorial board appear in both English and French. Other items appear in the language in which they are sent to the Editor. Correspondence regarding articles, news, announcements, or conference reports should be sent to:

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I represented the International Sociological Association in its capacity as a Non-Governmental Organization in official relations with WHO. Approximately 20 other NGOs were represented at this meeting. Representatives of the United Nations, UNESCO and the International Labor Organization were also present.

The major purpose of the meeting was to discuss ways and means to help implement the development of a new policy at WHO aimed at improved disability prevention and rehabilitation. This new policy is embodied in a resolution of WHO adopted at the twenty-ninth World Health Assembly (WHA 29.68, 20 May 1976) and further detailed in a document prepared by WHO(A29/INF.DOC/1, 28 April 1976). This document on Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation reviews the magnitude of the problem, present rehabilitation services, and proposes new guidelines in improving these services. The seriousness of the problem can be judged from the estimate that there are at least 400 million people or about 10% of the world population who are disabled. The problem is particularly severe in the developing world. The meeting in Geneva was called to seek the cooperation and support of such organizations as ours in improving services for the disabled and in the prevention of disability.

The meeting was opened by Dr. K.W. Newell, the Director of the Division of Strengthening Health Services at WHO. This was followed by the appointment of Mr. Norman Acton, Secretary General of Rehabilitation International as Chairman, Secretary and Rapporteur.

A presentation was made of the new WHO policy and program by Drs. Newell and Helander, as well as reports given by NGOs on ongoing projects in the developing world. A variety of substantive issues were discussed. Also discussed were ways in which NGOs could cooperate with WHO, other UN agencies and each other in implementing the goals of improved disability prevention and rehabilitation. I indicated the interest and the willingness of the ISA to consider cooperating in this endeavour, and particularly in helping to identify sociologists who might be interested and qualified to participate in joint studies with other organizations.

The participants decided that, at the outset, two problem areas might serve as foci for further discussions and collaborative efforts:

1. an evaluation study of present and alternative arrangements to provide preventive and rehabilitative services, with an emphasis on costs-benefits.
2. to study and attempt to outline feasible procedures to develop manpower around the needs of disabled persons.

It was further agreed that Mr. Acton would send to every participating or interested NGO (including the ISA) a more detailed statement of these two possible projects, and seek our reactions to these ideas.

Finally, a general statement of the meeting was proposed and drafted, and will also be sent to the ISA. It emphasizes, among other, that the WHO objectives are welcome, that the application of the principles enunciated by WHO must be done with flexibility because of the variety of circumstances and resources around the world, that an important task is to identify agents of change in communities, the need for more complete and detailed information, and the convening of two ad hoc study groups representing the major professional organizations in order to focus on the two problem areas mentioned above. I suggested that this statement include language to the effect that a greater effort be made to involve the participation of disabled persons themselves in any such studies.

This was adopted."

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IX WORLD CONGRESS NEWS

Ad Hoc Group # 7 (Alienation Theory and Research)

The Ad Hoc Group on Alienation Theory and Research, after successful sessions in Toronto that resulted in a recently published collection of essays "Theories of Alienation", the Hague, Nijhoff, (1976), plans to continue its activities at the next World Congress. The organizers (David R. Schweitzer, University of British Columbia, and Felix Geyer) would appreciate to come in contact, at this early stage, with all those, irrespective of discipline, who are in principle interested to contribute a paper to their sessions. Since they would like to prevent duplication of effort, and want to promote the cumulation of knowledge in this field, especially papers that go beyond present research and theory (see, for example, the above-mentioned collection) will be most welcome. Please contact R.F. Geyer (see address in Congress Program), or

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REPORTS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

To: Celine Saint-Pierre  
 From: Mark G. Field, Chairman, Research Committee,  
 Sociology of Medicine  
 Re: Information Consultation of Non-Governmental  
 Organizations in the Field of Rehabilitation  
 December 1, 1976, WHO Headquarters, Geneva

"On December 1, 1976 I attended an informal meeting called by the World Health Organization on the subject of Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation.

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NEWS FROM THE SECRETARIAT

The Université du Québec à Montréal, which is the host of the Secretariat offices, has been closed due to a strike since October 18. We have been carrying on in borrowed space of the Sociology Department at Concordia University and are grateful for their hospitality; our special thanks go to Professors Hubert Guindon and John Jackson who have kindly allowed us to use their offices.

We are carrying on as best we can. Since the mail goes to a P.O.Box, it is not affected by the strike. However, there are many matters that we are not able to deal with because we do not have access to our files, archives and stocks of publications. We can only ask our members to be patient with us until the Secretariat offices are open again.

In this number of the BULLETIN we had hoped to publish the second instalment of the History of the ISA. This had to be postponed because we do not have access to our archives during the strike. Therefore, this project also had to be postponed.

We hope that the strike will be over soon. In the meantime, we shall carry on the best we can and trust you will be patient with us.

NOUVELLES DU SECRETARIAT

L'Université du Québec à Montréal, qui est l'hôte de l'AIS et où le Secrétariat a ses locaux, est fermée à cause d'une grève qui dure depuis le 18 octobre. Nous travaillons dans des locaux empruntés au département de Sociologie à l'Université Concordia et leur sommes très reconnaissants de leur généreuse hospitalité. En particulier, nous tenons à remercier les professeurs Hubert Guindon et John Jackson qui nous ont prêté leurs propres bureaux.

On fait ce qu'on peut. Heureusement que nous avons une boîte postale, ce qui veut dire que nous recevons notre courrier malgré la grève. Mais il y a des dossiers auxquels nous n'avons aucun accès, et ceci nous empêche de régler certaines questions. On vous demande d'être patients en attendant que l'Université nous rouvre ses portes.

Nous avons l'intention de publier dans le présent BULLETIN la seconde partie de l'Histoire de l'AIS. Ceci a dû être reporté, puisque les archives ne nous sont pas accessibles. Ce sera pour un prochain numéro.

La grève devrait se régler bientôt. En attendant, nous faisons de notre mieux pour que nos membres n'en souffrent pas trop, et nous vous remercions de votre collaboration.

CURRENT SOCIOLOGY/LA SOCIOLOGIE CONTEMPORAINE

Vol.24 (1976) of CURRENT SOCIOLOGY is available to members together with their 1977 membership - see enclosed form. In addition, Vol.23 (1975) is also available. We apologize for offering two volumes in one year; this was the only way to bring the publication schedule of the journal up-to-date. The other innovation this year is that starting with the 1977 membership, the journal will be mailed direct from the Secretariat and together with the ISA BULLETIN three times per year. We hope that this will both streamline the operations of the Secretariat and also provide better service to our members.

The Secretariat has some back issues in stock for a few volumes. These are now being made available to ISA members only at the price of \$4 per number and \$10 per volume (consisting of three numbers).

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	2	1970	LA SOCIOLOGIE DU DEVELOPPEMENT AFRICAIN	Abdelwahab Bouhdiba
	3	1970	LA SOCIOLOGIE DES COMMUNICATIONS DE MASSE	Alphons Silbermann
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