

SPELEOLOGICAL FEDERATION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY
BUREAU MEETING - LUXEMBOURG - 1ST JULY 1995
MEETING COMMENCED 3.15PM

PRESENT: Bernard Krauthausen - President
 Jean Claude Thies - Treasurer
 Andy Eavis - Vice President

APOLOGIES: Arrigo Cigna

The meeting opened with the Chairman thanking Jean Claude for making the arrangements and we would like to note Best Wishes were expressed to Herbert Trimmel on his 70th Birthday.

The unofficial European Meeting in Athens on 6th November 1994 was mentioned. It was noted that there was a French delegation at that meeting financed by the Economic Community. We will enquire of Georg Theodorou what the mechanism behind this was.

The Chairman also suggested he would ask Georg about current situation with reference to Speleological projects. There were enquiries from previous Soviet Union countries for inclusion in the SFEC, it was pointed out that membership of the European Community was a pre-requisite and therefore applications outside of this could not be considered.

The Treasurer reported that he had paid Herman de Swart who had written thanking him for receiving the expenses and suggesting a meeting so they could pass over relevant files and documents.

It was noted by the Chairman that Austria had voted to delay membership of the SFEC until a later date and Sweden had not yet joined.

There was discussion on current SFEC subscriptions both in the amount payable and what countries had fees outstanding. It was agreed that this would be a main agenda item at the next General Assembly.

A date for the next General Assembly was suggested as 27th - 29th October to coincide with the Irish National Conference. The Vice President agreed to contact the Irish Society, it was further suggested that there would be no cost to be borne by Ireland all costs would be paid by the individuals or the SFEC.

An agenda for the next General Assembly was discussed. Items included :

N.B. Invite all current EC countries to participate including the new member countries.

Items include:

1. Minutes of the 1994 General Assembly

2. Reports of Officers
3. Approval of reports
4. The elections
5. Discussion on membership countries and subscriptions.
6. Discussion on the future of the SFEC
7. Working groups (contact groups), **projects** - European Expeditions.
8. Modification of the statutes and the **proposal** of Arrigo
9. Insurance
10. Should SFEC have a stand at the **next** UIS meeting
11. Date and place of next General Assembly

It was noted that from the last General Assembly it **had** been agreed that there would now be a General Assembly every four years this would be two **years** out of synchronised with UIS further that there would be a meeting of the Bureau every **year**.

The Vice President passed to the Treasurer the file **on** the RESCON claim and Jean Claude is to chase the money which should have been paid some **time** ago.

The Treasurer is also to send reminders and copy **invoices** to countries that have not paid their subscription (including Britain).

The meeting closed at 6.00pm.

A J EAVIS
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