



**Minutes of ISPRS Council Meeting
2,5-6 June 1994**

Ottawa Congress Centre
Ottawa, Canada

Attendees:

S. Murai (Japan) President
J. Trinder (Australia) Treasurer
L. Fritz (USA) Secretary General
K. Kraus (Austria) Congress Director
K. Torlegård (Sweden) 1st Vice President

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June 2, 1994

1. Opening

Council thanks Commission IV President Welch for the opportunity to meet for three hours on 2 June during the Commission IV Symposium in Athens, Georgia, USA. President Murai convened the meeting at 0850 hours with welcoming remarks and noted that Second Vice President Gruen was unable to attend. Council then observed a few moments of silence in remembrance of ISPRS Honorary Member Jean Cruset.

On 5 June President Murai reconvened the Council Meeting in Ottawa. At that time he expressed Council's appreciation for the well prepared facilities and generous hospitality provided by Commission II President M. Allam and the Canadian hosts.

2. Agenda Adjustments

It was agreed to include selection of ISPRS representative to CIPA under Agenda #11 c. No other adjustments requested.

3. Review of Action Items & Minutes

The Checklist of Council Tasks/Actions was reviewed. Twenty actions and five documented tasks have been completed. Thirteen Council actions and five documented tasks remain open. An updated listing has been provided to Council.

Minutes from the 23-26 October Council Meeting and from an informal Council Meeting held during the Commission V Symposium were reviewed and approved with the following change: 10. Statutes, Bylaws, Guidelines Revisions: delete "the process of" from the new definition of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing proposed for General Assembly approval.

Meeting recessed at 1200 hours.

5 June 1994

4. Activity Reports

a. President

S. Murai reviewed his report enclosed. (See Enclosure A.) Council approved ISPRS cosponsorship of the "GIS, AM/FM Asia '95 Conference" planned for August 1995 in Bangkok, Thailand with Prof. Murai as Chairman.

b. Secretary General

L. Fritz reviewed his report enclosed. (See Enclosure B.) He added updates to his Russia trip and remarked on their most cordial welcome and the positive interest of the National Committee of Russia in ISPRS activities.

c. **1st Vice President**

K. Torlegård gave an oral report. He is involved with the International Space University which will be hosted in Stockholm next year; is involved in two projects with OEEPE; as WG III/2 Chairman is participating in the planning of the September 1994 Commission III Symposium; has sent a gift on behalf of ISPRS to Honorary Member Mrs. Aino Savolainen commemorating her 70th birthday.

d. **2nd Vice President**

A. Gruen submitted his report by mail. (See Enclosure C.)

5. **XVIII Congress Plans**

K. Kraus presented the Vienna Congress timetable and reviewed timing and locations of events. (See Enclosure D.) He stated that 10,000 First Announcements of the Congress have been printed and distribution has been made to all Members. He is now in the process of producing a Short Announcement for distribution by Journals in the Spring of 1995. He has met with the United Nations Office of Outer Space Affairs and is working with them to solicit sponsorships for developing country attendees.

In discussion, it was agreed that the Resolutions from the Congress General Assembly should be distributed at the Closing Ceremony Session. A proposal offering constructive comments for improving the Congress technical program by W. Förstner to K. Kraus was discussed. The discussion included the review process, political considerations, quality needs, author needs, Commission differences (academic, applications, production), etc. Council agreed to implement his proposal to designate in **Archives B** those papers which are "Reviewed Paper by Commission _" if this practice proves successful at the 1994 Commission III Symposium. K. Kraus stated that the **Archives B** will include an index as produced by the 1992 Washington Congress. Council agreed to limit the page length for papers in the **Archives B** to 6 pages, with 10 pages allowed for Invited Papers.

6. **Treasurer's Report & Financial Affairs**

J. Trinder reported that income and expenditures during 1993 were about the same, 92,000 Swiss francs vs. 91,000 Swiss francs. He noted that the Reinvest of Interest expenditure item (See Enclosure E - Fiscal Year 1994 Audited Income/Expenditure.) includes an investment of 30,000 Sfr in Swiss bonds and that the value of Swiss bonds has increased during 1993 to the benefit of ISPRS.

Council reviewed the 1994 budget and approved it after adding a line for donations for the "Best Papers by Young Authors Awards" at the Congress.

(Action Item #105 - JT)

Council commended S. Murai for successfully soliciting a donation of one million yen from Mr. Y. Matsumoto, President, CORE Corp., Tokyo, Japan for the Best Papers Awards.

7. Publications & Communications

a. *ISPRS Journal*

Council reviewed the written report submitted by Editor D. Tait. (See Enclosure F.) The response from Elsevier for additional pages has been deferring and thus evasive.

Due to schedule conflicts, the Council meeting with the Ad Hoc Journal Marketing Committee was postponed to 6 September 1994 at the Commission III Symposium in Munich.

(Action Item #106 - Council)

It was agreed that new Sustaining Members are to receive a free one year subscription to the *ISPRS Journal* as a result of the current drive for new memberships. Next year they will be asked to critique the value of the *Journal*.

(Action Item #107 - JT)

(Action Item #108 - JT)

Comments from Council regarding the modest rebate from Elsevier will be conveyed to D. Tait. Further remuneration to *Journal* editors is not recommended at this time.

(Action Item #109 - KK)

Due to Elsevier's inability to send the *Journal* to the Iraq and Libya members of ISPRS, J. Trinder agreed to prompt Elsevier to follow up on their agreement to provide him their copies for mailing.

(Action Item #115 - JT)

b. *ISPRS Annual Report*

L. Fritz reported that 550 copies were made of the "*1993 ISPRS Annual Report*" and only 12 are left. The initial mailing was to external organizations and to all ISPRS Members/Officers. Subsequently many other requests and complimentary letters have been received, including a request for 70 copies from the United Nations. Council reaffirmed its commitment to produce an *ISPRS Annual Report* and discussed content priorities. It was agreed that new breakthroughs in photogrammetry, remote sensing, computer vision and GIS should be highlighted as well as the state-of-the-art in each of the Commission/Working Group topics. Council agreed to review the *1993 ISPRS Annual Report* and advise the Secretary General as to which Commission Report should serve as a model and other suggestions to improve content.

(Action Item #110 - Council)

The schedule for production of the *1994 ISPRS Annual Report* remains the same as for 1993. That is, WG reports to Commission Presidents before 15 November 1994; Commission and other reports to the Secretary General before 15 December 1994; and with a publication goal of January 1995.

c. History

The History Working Group VI/Special Topic has been unsuccessful in obtaining sufficient interest from potential authors. K. Torlegård suggested and Council agreed that the History WG activity be terminated. Rationale is that:

- 1) ISPRS does not have the funds to hire authors,
- 2) interest in the topic is limited,
- 3) papers on historical developments are recommended,
- 4) Council prefers not to condone potentially biased descriptions of our professions' history, and
- 5) the **ISPRS Archives** by definition document changes in the science and technology.

Therefore, Council dissolved the WG but will continue to encourage papers on the subject.

d. E-mail Report

Discussion continues while Council awaits a report from Commission V President Fryer on the use of E-mail for ISPRS. Commission I President L. Mussio has achieved only limited success in a test with Commissions/WG's in 1993. He will continue his testing of ISPRS officer responsiveness for the report. K. Kraus noted that E-mail will be convenient for only parts of the Commissions and WG's as many organizations and developing countries do not have ready access to E-mail. It is noted that E-mail is most valuable when users have a PC at their immediate desk area. L. Fritz requests that potential pitfalls for ISPRS be included in the report. K. Kraus will use E-mail for Congress author verifications. K. Torlegård offered that E-mail will provide limited support for announcements of conferences, but can be good for Commission Boards and Council correspondence.

(Action Item #111 - KT)

e. Archives and RICS

L. Fritz reviewed the summary sheet he prepared outlining the availability of the *International Archives of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing* from 1908 to the 1996 Congress. (See Enclosure G.) Its use is for responses to periodic inquiries for obtaining copies of specific proceedings/papers from ISPRS Congresses and Symposia. He then reviewed an updated version of the *Guidelines for Publication of the International Archives of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing*. (See Enclosure H.) The update clarifies ambiguities in the previous version. Council approved both documents for wide distribution.

8. Membership

a. Ordinary Members

Council reviewed the application for Ordinary Membership by the Agence Nationale de Météorologie de Télédétection par Satellite (METTELSAT) of Zaire. The Secretary General is to communicate with the current ISPRS Ordinary Member of Zaire to ascertain membership representation agreement within Zaire.

(Action Item #112 - LF)

A letter from the Deputy Surveyor General of India has been received officially changing the agreed representation of India in ISPRS from the Survey of India to the Indian Remote Sensing Society (IRSS).

Nepal has submitted a letter requesting relief of outstanding ISPRS dues. President Murai has offered to communicate with them to resolve the issue.

(Action Item #113 - SM)

Council recognizes the official status of Bophuthatswana has changed with other changes in South Africa. The Secretary General is to send a letter clarifying ISPRS membership for Bophuthatswana.

(Action Item #114 - LF)

In response to his inquiry, L. Fritz reported that the Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing of the former country of Czechoslovakia at the present time wishes to continue to represent both Czech and Slovak Republics.

After several years of intense discussion within Council, preliminary agreement has been reached on resolving the issue of how "representation of the whole community of photogrammetrists and remote sensing experts in a country or region" (Statute VI,1.) can be achieved in ISPRS. In brief, the essence of the agreement centers on only one vote category for the country or region thereof while allowing for multiple member organizations to be represented within the category. However, there must be a corresponding increase of category from the current category. The wording for a change to the Statutes and Bylaws and a draft rationale will be prepared for circulation to Membership for comment and General Assembly decision.

(Action Item #116 - LF & JT)

b. Regional Members

Council approved the application for Regional Membership submitted by the African Association of Remote Sensing of the Environment (AARSE). A mail ballot for General Assembly approval is included with these minutes. All ISPRS Ordinary Member organizations are requested to submit their ballots promptly. (See Mail Ballot Enclosure.)

A review of current and potential Regional Members prompted initiation of several communications by Council Members to obtain status. Council notes L. Fritz's efforts to encourage the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) to join and S. Murai is investigating the formation of an Eurasian Regional Member organization.

(Action Item #117 - LF)

(Action Item #118 - SM)

(Action Item #119 - JT)

Council agreed to suspend discussion of Regional Member voting rights while multiple membership policy is under review.

c. Sustaining Member Issues

Council approved the following applications for Sustaining Membership:

Category B -

SPOT Image (Toulouse, France)

Kampsax Geoplan (Hvidovre, Denmark)

Category D -

Hunting Aerofilms Limited (Hertfordshire, England)

INPHO GmbH (Stuttgart, Germany)

Adam Technology (Perth, Australia)

Research & Development Centre "Monitoring" (Bendery, Moldova)

(Action Item #120 - JT)

K. Kraus stated that there will be a 10% reduction in exhibition fees for ISPRS Sustaining Members at the 1996 ISPRS Congress.

9. Amendments to Statutes, Bylaws and Guidelines

L. Fritz suggested several changes for Council consideration. After discussion it was agreed that the Second Vice President should prepare draft changes to the following for Council action:

Statutes -

IV - add wording regarding sponsorship of awards, encourage highest quality, etc.

VI - expand categories of Sustaining Membership to include academic and research institutions.

X,2,,3. - add Regional Members to General Assembly representation.

Bylaws -

II - new wording of definition.

V - add spatial information systems.

XI,7. - add to tasks of 1st VP - awards and resolutions coordination

add to tasks of 2nd VP - review of Statutes and Bylaws

XI,5.(d) - harmonize with Statute V and add spatial information systems

Guidelines -

... to Host an ISPRS Congress - add free registration for Dolezal Award recipients.

(Action Item #121 - AG)

10. Awards

Council approved the final wording of the Dolezal Award. (See Enclosure I.)
The French and German versions need to be verified.

(Action Item #122 - KK)

The First Vice President will review all actions to initiate juries for awards, etc.

(Action Item #123 - KT)

Council discussed the *Best Papers by Young Authors Awards* for the 1996 Vienna Congress. It was agreed that the Young Author winners will receive 2,500 Swiss francs each (same as at 1992 Washington Congress). It was further agreed that there will be 10 or more Young Author awards. More sponsor donations are needed.

(Action Item #124 - SM)

Council encourages all ISPRS Members to solicit nominations of worthy candidates for ISPRS Awards and Medals. A chart providing a brief summary of each ISPRS award and the nomination due dates is enclosed. (See Enclosure K.) With exception of the Dolezal Award, complete nomination procedures are outlined for each Award in the Silver Book "*ISPRS Organization and Programs 1992-1996*".

Meeting recessed at 1750 hours.

June 6, 1994

Meeting convened at 1345 hours.

11. Interorganizational Relations

a. IUSM

The IUSM will convene a special two and one-half day retreat at Boulder, Colorado, USA in conjunction with the IUGG-IAIG Congress in July 1995. (See Enclosure L.) All IUSM Council Members have been requested to participate in this IUSM strategy harmonizing meeting. Council discussed the role of ISPRS in IUSM and its participation in the retreat.

It was agreed that ISPRS should strongly encourage IUSM to prepare joint sessions at all IUSM member Congresses.

(Action Item #125 - SM)

(Action Item #126 - KT)

It was further agreed that ISPRS should promote further international cooperation by promoting additional organizations to join in IUSM. The Secretary General is to contact AM/FM International to encourage full IUSM Membership and contact EUROGI to encourage affiliate IUSM Membership.

(Action Item #127 - LF)

b. ICSU

Associate Membership for ISPRS should be approved this summer. All required sponsorship letters have been submitted.

c. Others

1) CIPA - Council reviewed the credentials of several candidates submitted to represent ISPRS for the single vacancy in CIPA. Edel Lundemo from Norway was selected. President Murai will inform Ms. Lundemo and CIPA.

(Action Item #128 - SM)

2) ESCAP - The President of ISPRS has been invited to be a main speaker at the UN Ministerial Conference on Space Applications for Development in Asia and the Pacific in Beijing, September 1994. Treasurer J. Trinder has been requested by Council to participate.

(Action Item #130 - SM & JT)

3) COPUOS - K. Kraus and P. Waldhäusel have been requested to represent ISPRS at the 37th Session of COPUOS in Vienna, June 1994.

4) ISO - ISPRS was proposed by ISO for membership on the new sub-committee ISO/TC/ 20/SC Aircraft and Space Vehicles - Space Systems and Operations. Council has selected WG VI/3 Co-Chair H.-P. Bähr to represent ISPRS.

(Action Item #131 - LF)

12. Review of Commission Activities

Council approved the name change of WG VII/4 from "Non-Renewable Resources" to "Geological and Mineral Resources". The Terms of Reference of WG VII/4 remain unchanged.

a. Meeting Approvals

Dates for three WG Colloquia were approved. (See Enclosure J for the July 1994 version of the ISPRS Events Calendar.) The 1995 Joint Council Meeting with Commission Presidents was scheduled for June 9 in Vienna. Council and Presidents will review the site and program for the 1996 Congress at that time. Council will meet on 8 and 10 June, 1995.

b. Commission Board Meetings with Council

Council briefly reviewed its agenda for meeting with the Commission Boards at the 1994 Symposia. The Commission II Board Meeting in Ottawa is scheduled for Wednesday, June 8th.

c. Next Joint Meeting - Beijing

The 1994 Joint Council Meeting with Commission Presidents will convene in conjunction with the Commission VI Symposium in Beijing. Joint Meeting will be on 9-10 October and Council Meeting on 14-15 October.

13. Other

The office phone number and address for Treasurer John Trinder has been modified to:

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14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1750 hours.

*Prepared by Lawrence W. Fritz, Secretary General
on 25 June 1993*

Enclosures:

- A. Report of President (October 93 - May 94)
 - B. Report of Secretary General (SG-02-648)
 - C. Report of Second Vice President
 - D. XVIII Congress of ISPRS - Sessions Timetable
 - E. Fiscal Year 1994 Audited Income/Expenditure
 - F. Report of Editor *ISPRS Journal*
 - G. Availability of the **International Archives of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing**
 - H. Guidelines for Publication of the **International Archives of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing**
 - I. The Eduard Dolezal Award
 - J. ISPRS Events Calendar (1 July 1994 version)
 - K. Awards - Call for Nominations
 - L. IUSM Newsletter
- Mail Ballot Enclosure - Application AARSE for ISPRS Regional Membership