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SUMMARY OF THE MEETING HELD APRIL 28TH 2008 IN LONDON

Present were:

Jean Anderson, CIF member USA
Lyse Blanchet, Vice President
Dorian Crone, CIF member UK
Jaroslav Kilián, Vice President
Caspar Laffrée, Secretary General
Aylin Orbasli, CIF member UK

Opening:

Due to unforeseen circumstances Carlo Cesàri, President of CIF, was at the last moment prevented from attending this meeting. Hence the meeting was chaired by Jaroslav Kilián. He thanked Dorian Crone and ICOMOS UK for hosting this meeting of CIF and for offering the possibility to CIF to attend the two day ICOMOS-UK Education and Training Committee conference on *action for skills training and education for historic environment*.

The meeting had the character of a working session in preparation of the GA in Quebec in October in which a wide range of topics was discussed.

The following was concluded.

Pisa conference and its follow up:

- The Pisa conference has yielded a lot of information and knowledge concerning the position of crafts in relation to restoration in various continents, notably Africa, Europe, and Middle and South America. Although circumstances differ considerably there are common factors in the experiences that were related by the various speakers. It is important that this information is shared with a wider public. The report should be as complete as possible in time for the GA in Quebec and the CIF meeting there.
- It was agreed to put the report on the website of CIF which would be launched shortly. So far about 40% of the speakers had sent in their contributions for the report.

- Together with the agenda of the conference this material will be put on the web by July. Caspar Laffr e will inform those speakers at the conference who so far have not contributed their abstracts for the report, and ask them to send it by the end of June.
- Carlo Ces ari will write the general introduction to the report and the moderators of the three sessions: Lyse Blanchet, Jaroslav Kili n, Jukka Jokilehto, will contribute a synthesis of their session. Caspar Laffr e will inform those absent from this meeting.
- Lyse Blanchet has received abstracts of people who did not attend the Pisa conference but wanted nevertheless to contribute. These abstracts can be part of the e-report.
- At a later stage when all contributions are available and depending on the financial possibilities, there might also be produced a hardcopy of the report.

The CIF website:

- By the beginning of June the CIF own website linked to the ICOMOS one will be ready for launching. Gratitude was expressed to Lyse Blanchet for her work to achieve this. It was decided to launch the site as soon as possible. The launching will be done in cooperation with the ICOMOS Bureau in Paris.
- All CIF material will be made public on the site with the exception that the minutes of Bureau meetings will be made available on request.
- Now that the website is a fact, its content and management will require a fair amount of attention. Lyse Blanchet and Jaroslav Kili n will approach international organizations as the Getty Conservation Institute, the IAA, ICCROM, to establish official links with their websites.
- The list of members will be put on the site and where possible their relevant website(s).
- Requests of organizations to be put with a link on the site, will be decided on by the Bureau. The management of the site will be a fixed item on the agenda for the meetings of the Bureau.
- Where links are established it is important that they give direct access to the relevant (training) part of the organizations website.
- At a later stage a protocol might be developed based on own experience and that of other ISC's.

General Assembly Quebec 2008:

Resolution34 GA ICOMOS 2005

- It was decided that Jaroslav Kili n will report to the GA on the actions taken to implement resolution 34. If further actions are required these could consist of the development of a model for setting up training for crafts on a long term basis. So far the Pisa conference has yielded some starting points. It is clear that to have a firm base for training, the regional/local populations and their authorities must be involved. To be effective in this however, there should be put a lot of time and effort in the development of instruments which are helpful in covering a whole continent and its various training problems in all their diversity. It would seem that this calls for a special task force with adequate support.
- Lyse Blanchet will enquire when and how the reporting must be done: during the Assembly or beforehand, a written report or a verbal one.

CIF meeting 29th of September

- The whole day of the 29th of September has been set aside for meetings of the various scientific committees. CIF has also a reservation for a meeting room.
- It was decided that one part of the day will be reserved for administrative matters (adoption of statutes, bureau membership) and the other part will be used for looking back on the past six years and to discuss the CIF program for the coming three years. This will take the form of a workshop.
- The preliminary program for this workshop will be as follows:
 - *) introduction by Carlo Cesàri looking back on the subject of the past three years, and a look forward based on the long term plan developed during the workshop held in 2005 in Sväty Jur.
 - *) a proposal to form a working group on crafts and trades to give them a more permanent focus; the experience in the past three years has made clear that there is a need for this.
 - *) revisiting the Sväty Jur report with short introductions to the other topics: the undergraduate level, the post graduate level, and education of the general public/decision makers, each followed by a short round of discussion. After that a general debate of the issues on the basis of which will be decided what will be the focus of CIF activities the coming triennium.
 - *) Aylin Orbasli will give the short introduction on undergraduate professional training, Jaroslav Kilián will do so for education. It is still open who will do the introduction on the post graduate training.
- The workshop will last between three and four hours. It is as yet undecided whether it will take place in the morning or the afternoon.

New statutes:

- The second draft for the revision of the statutes was discussed, in which the suggestions of ICLAFI were incorporated. On the basis of this discussion there will be made the 3rd and final draft which will be put to the vote.
- The procedure will be as follows: the final drafty will be sent to the (voting) members together with a form to reapply for membership as expert. These applications will be decided on by the Bureau and will come into force immediately after the formal adoption of the new statutes at CIF meeting in Quebec. Thus there will be no gap in membership, assuming every member will reply and do so in time.

Mandate Bureau:

- The present mandate of the Board, from now on in accordance with the new statutes: the Bureau, will expire this year. Some of the present members will seek a new term others are as yet undecided. All agreed that continuity was an important aspect to consider.

Caspar M. Laffrée, The Hague, 10th July 2008