MINUTES OF THE FINAL PLENARY MEETING

Held in the Hotel Metropole, Brussels, Belgium on Friday 9 May 1969 commencing at 09.00 hours.

PRESENT:
Mr. P.A. Kimmens (Chairman of the Conference and of the Executive Committee), Mr. R.F. Stevens (Vice-Chairman and Conference Secretary), Mr. W.J.L. Dalmijn (Treasurer) and Mr. H. Picolin (Member of the Executive Committee), together with delegates from the following Subscribing Member Societies:

ARI, ARM, CRCC, DARC, EDR, MARS, NRRL, OVSV, PZK, REF, RL, RSF, RSGB, SRAL, SRJ, SSA, UBA, URE, USKA and VERON.

The President of ARRL/IARU (Mr. R. Dennison), the Secretary of IARU (Mr. J. Runton), the Secretary of Region II (Mr. G. Reusens) and the Treasurer of Region II (Mr. N. Eaton) were in attendance as observers. An observer from the IARC (Mr. T. Robinson) and Mr. F.C. Lambeth, Secretary of the VHF Working Group were also in attendance.

The following Subscribing Member Societies held proxy votes as indicated:

ARA and ARAI, held by REF; FRA, held by EDR; IRTS held by VERON; Malta ARS held by MARS; RAL and RSR held by RSGB.

The Conference Secretary reported receiving a letter from CRCB (Bulgaria) saying that they could not send a delegation to the Conference and asking that PZK should hold a proxy vote on their behalf. Due to the late arrival of this letter it was not possible for the Conference to accept the proxy vote.

AGENDA ITEM 1.

Document B.C.5. was received. The only amendment was that Mr. Bouchier should be correctly described as the Director General of the Radio Communications of the RTT of Belgium.

The Report of the Plenary Assembly held on May 5, 1969 as set out in Document B.C.5 was adopted.
There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM 2

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE (COMMITTEE A)

The Chairman (Mr. Dalmijn) submitted reports of the Meetings of Committee A held on May 5, 6 and 7, 1969 as contained in Document B.C.8.

RECOMMENDATIONS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 were adopted.

RECOMMENDATION 9. It was agreed to delete the reference to the modes of transmission.

RECOMMENDATIONS 10, 11, 12 and 13 were adopted.

RECOMMENDATION 14 was adopted and Mr. Roy F. Stevens, G2BVN and Mr. C. Dereser (DARC) are appointed Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the WAB Working Party.

RECOMMENDATION 15A. After discussion by all delegates concerning this Recommendation, it was proposed by RSF and seconded by P2K that "the Plenary Assembly decides that the number of members of the Executive Committee shall be increased to 7."

This proposal was rejected 16 votes to 10.

RECOMMENDATION 15A, as proposed, was then adopted by the Assembly.

RECOMMENDATION 15B. This was adopted. On the suggestion of RL, it was agreed that the information should be distributed to all Subscribing Member Societies.

RECOMMENDATION 15C. After considerable discussion by all delegates it was proposed by VERON, and seconded by RL that "the Members of the Executive Committee shall be elected individually to their offices." This was adopted by 19 votes to Nil.

RECOMMENDATION 16. DARC, as convenor of the ad hoc Working Group for Foxhunting Championships, proposed amendments to the Recommendation appearing in Document B.C.8. These were agreed.

A new Document B.C.29 will be produced after the Conference.

The offer of Austria to hold Foxhunting Championships in 1969 was referred to the Executive Committee. The Conference recorded a vote of thanks to Mr. W. J. L. Dalmijn and Mr. Roy F. Stevens for their work as Chairman and Secretary respectively of Committee A.
The Meeting adjourned at 12.00 hours.
The Meeting reopened at 14.00 hours.

AGENDA ITEM 3.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE VHF COMMITTEE
   (COMMITTEE B)

The Chairman (Mr. C. van Dijk) submitted a report of Meetings of Committee B held on May 5, 6 and 7, 1969 as contained in Document B.C.11.

RECOMMENDATION A. Delete "VHF" in heading.

RECOMMENDATION B. Was adopted with the following wording:

(i) All existing and now 2 metre beacons shall be placed in the frequency band 145.550 - 146.000 MHz. RSGB shall coordinate frequency allocation of beacons for minimum mutual interference.

3. The last sentence to read "The region from 435.50 to the authorised upward limit of the band is primarily reserved for TV stations."

RECOMMENDATION C. The heading should read -

"TRANSMITTING AND OPERATING MODES ON VHF-UHF and SHF BANDS"

Section 1 should read -

"The CCIR system following the Gerber standard to be adopted as the standard transmission system for amateur TV."

The Recommendation was adopted. EDR is opposed to Section II.

RECOMMENDATION D. The heading should read -

"SPACE COMMUNICATIONS IN AMATEUR BANDS".

On the suggestion of RSF the band 21,000 - 22,000 Mhz was added to the list appearing in the original Recommendation.

After national administrations have been approached by Subscribing Member Societies the results should be notified to the Secretary of Region I. In turn, he will advise IARU Headquarters.

RECOMMENDATION E. This was adopted.

Document B.C.67 is not for publication.
The Press Release concerning the Region I OSCAR project will be issued by the VHF Working Group.

RECOMMENDATION F. This was adopted.
NRRL abstained from voting on Section 2.

RECOMMENDATION G. This was adopted.

RECOMMENDATION H. It was proposed that "for the issue of VHF-UHF-SHF Certificates concerning countries worked, it is proposed that the DXCC List of countries shall be used."

An amendment proposed by RSF that East Germany (DM) should be regarded as a separate country was lost.

The original Recommendation was adopted by 16 votes to 2.

The Conference recorded a vote of thanks to Mr. C. van Dijk and Mr. F. G. Lambeth for their work as Chairman and Secretary respectively of Committee B.

AGENDA ITEM 4.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CREDENTIALS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE (COMMITTEE C)

The Chairman (Mr. N. Caws) submitted a report of the Meeting of Committee C held on May 5 as contained in Document B.C.13.

The following Documents were submitted as reports.


RECOMMENDATION 1. After discussion it was proposed by DARO and seconded that the annual contribution should remain unaltered at 75 Swiss centimes per licensed member. This amendment was lost by 8 votes against 17 and the original Recommendation was adopted by 20 votes to 6.

RECOMMENDATION 2. Was adopted.

The Conference recorded a vote of thanks to Mr. N. Caws and Mr. E. G. Ingran for their work as Chairman and Minute Secretary respectively of Committee C.

After receiving a Report from the Treasurer, it was agreed that any surplus above the figure of 60,000 Swiss Francs held in Fund 3 on 31st December 1969 should be transferred to Funds 1 or 2 for normal operations of the Division.
RSF tabled a protest concerning the information provided in Document B.C.16. This appears as Appendix 1 to these Minutes.

The RSF thanked the Executive Committee for their work during the previous 3 years but stated that they had not received any report from the Executive Committee and were unable to judge what actions had been taken. RSF also asked that future Conferences should be held in less expensive hotels.

The Chairman of the Conference pointed out that full reports of the Meetings of the Executive Committee had been published in the Region 1 Bulletin and many circular letters have been sent out by the Secretary of the Division.

**AGENDA ITEM 5.**

Documents B.C.20/A/B had been accepted by the Opening Plenary Assembly. Mr. Deschôt (UBA) had co-opted Mr. Herbeth (REF) and Mr. Stone (RSGB) as members of the Election Committee.

After discussion it was agreed that there would not be any automatic reclassification to another category of unsuccessful candidates.

**ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:**

Messrs. Jacob, Vanmuysen and Wolff had withdrawn their candidature.

The Election Committee Chairman announced that Mr. Per-Anders Kimman had been re-elected unanimously as Chairman.

**ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:**

Mr. Deschôt announced the result of the ballot as follows:

- F3FA: 13 votes
- DL3NE: 12 votes
- OM4VY: 1 vote
- OB3CL: 1 vote

Mr. Jacob was therefore formally declared as elected.

**ELECTION OF SECRETARY:**

Mr. Roy F. Stevens was unanimously elected.

**ELECTION OF TREASURER:**

Mr. W.J.L. Dalmijn was elected by 22 votes to Nil with 1 abstention.
ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

Mr. Deschotd declared the result of the ballot for two Members of the Executive Committee to be as follows:

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Mesara, Znidersic and Picolin were then formally declared elected.

The Treasurer agreed to send a suitable message of congratulation to YU1AA.

AGENDA ITEM 6

The Conference Secretary read a letter from CRCC (Czechoslovakia) inviting the Division to hold the 1972 Conference in their country. This offer was accepted with acclamation.

AGENDA ITEM 8

On behalf of the delegates, EA4CX expressed thanks for the hospitality that they had received in Brussels from the host Society, the UBA.

EA4CX then presented a URE callbook to each delegation.

Mr. Deschotd, President of UBA thanked the Conference for their appreciation of the efforts of his Society.

Mr. R. Denniston, President of IARU expressed thanks for the courtesy extended to him and observers from IARU Headquarters and Region II.

On behalf of the Executive Committee Mr. Per-Anders Kinnman thanked all delegates for their work which had contributed to a successful Conference.

The Meeting closed at 16.30 hours.
APPENDIX 1.

TO: THE CHAIRMAN OF IARU REGION 1 DIVISION CONFERENCE

The Radio Sport Federation of the USSR makes the protest against the inclusion by DARC of the amateur radio stations of the German Democratic Republic (GDR) into the number of radio stations belonging to the German Federal Republic (GFR).

The German Democratic Republic is the sovereign State acknowledged by the overwhelming majority of the countries of the world.

Side by side with other countries the German Democratic Republic is an equal member of a number of international organisations and takes part as a separate team in all international competitions including the Olympic Games.

The inclusion of the GDR amateur radio stations into the number of the radio stations belonging to the GFR is the inadmissible violation of IARU Regulations which states that any national radio amateur organisations - members of IARU cannot interfere in the affairs of other countries and their radio amateur organisations.

The Radio Sport Federation of the USSR asks the Conference to point out to the DARC the incompatibility of such actions with the result to the sovereign State and to exclude the GDR amateur radio stations from the number of radio stations belonging to GFR, and in competitions to consider the GDR as a separate country.

RADIO SPORT FEDERATION OF THE USSR.