EDITORIAL NOTE

This double issue of the ICOMOS News Letter appears more than a year after its predecessor. This does not imply any slackening in the pace of ICOMOS activities. On the contrary, 1975 was a very full year and the small ICOMOS Secretariat was involved in a number of urgent tasks.

The events of the past year are summarised here. A forthcoming issue No 8 of the News Letter, which will appear in a few days, in an entirely new format, will give details of ICOMOS's current projects and future plans.

IVTH ICOMOS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The chief event of the year for ICOMOS was the IVth General Assembly held at the invitation of the Federal German Committee in the small mediaeval town of Rothenburg ob der Tauber. Nearly 400 participants from 41 countries took part. The meetings were held in the Spitalbune, the old tithe barn of the Hospital, which has been converted into a Conference Centre with every modern facility. The Assembly, presided over by the Chairman of the Federal German Committee, Prof. W. Bornheim gen. Schilling, was opened by the Bavarian Minister of Culture, Dr. H. Maier. The Secretary General's and Treasurer's reports for the period 1972 - 75 were approved and the draft amendments to the Statutes were adopted unanimously, as was the report of the commission set up by the Assembly to scrutinise the proposed programme and budget for the period 1975 - 78. Finally, the 1975 - 78 ICOMOS Executive Committee was elected (see below), and membership fees were increased to £ 10 for individuals (£ 40 for corporate members).

In recognition of his vital contribution in guiding and inspiring the Council throughout the ten years of his Presidency, the General Assembly decided unanimously to confer upon the outgoing President of ICOMOS, Prof. Piero Gazzola, the title of Honorary President.

Following the General Assembly a one-day study trip to Nördlingen and Ellwangen enabled participants to see the remarkable way in which the integrity of the small towns of the region was preserved.

A two-day Symposium on the conservation of smaller historic towns began with introductory speeches by the Rapporteur Général, Prof. Gerd Albers, of the University of Munich, and Mr. André Chastel. Specialised papers dealing with the technical problems of conservation of smaller towns were followed by regional reports from every region of the world and by a series of most interesting case studies provided by National Committees.
The proceedings of the Symposium are being published by the Federal German Committee of ICOMOS and will be available from the ICOMOS Secretariat in Paris in September 1976. They will contain the full texts in French or English of all the papers read at the meeting together with a summary of the discussions and the resolutions adopted. The proceedings of the administrative sessions of the Assembly will also be available in September.

The Rothenburg resolutions build on the findings of the Bruges Symposium and are broadly applicable to all historic towns. The Rothenburg resolutions draw particular attention to the quality of small towns as a social and physical environment and to the desirability of having regional and national planning authorities assign to them those economic functions which are in keeping with their historic character.

ICOMOS is deeply grateful to Mr. Bornheim gen. Schilling and his colleagues for their generous hospitality as well as for the energy and enthusiasm with which they took it upon themselves to ensure the success of the Assembly.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 1975 - 1978

The fourth General Assembly of ICOMOS at Rothenburg elected the following members to sit on the Executive Committee for the period 1975 - 1978:

President : Prof. R.M. Lemaire, Professor at the University of Louvain (Belgium)
Vice-Presidents : Arq. Jorge Gazaneo (Argentina)
Mr. A. Halturin, Head of the Department of Plastic Arts and Protection of monuments, Soviet Ministry of Culture (URSS)
Shri B.K. Thapar, Joint Director General Archeological Survey of India (India)
Secretary General : Dr. Ernest A. Connolly, Associate Director National Park Service (U.S.A.)
Treasurer : Mr. Jean Salusse, Director, Caisse Nationale des Monuments Historiques et des Sites (France)
Ex Officio : Prof. Stanislas Lorentz, Director of the National Museum (Warsaw), Chairman of the Advisory Cttee.

Members : Messrs. Gabriel Alomar Estave (Spain)
Prof. Werner Bornheim gen. Schilling (F.R.G.)
Mr. Jacques Dalibard (Canada)
Prof. Guglielmo Da Angeli D'Ossat (Italy)
Dr. Deszö Dercsényi (Hungary)
Prof. Cevat Erder (Turkey)
Dr. Bunji Kobayashi (Japan)
Mr. Gamal Mokhtar (Egypt)
Prof. Nicolas Moutsopoulos (Greece)
Prof. R.B. Nunoo (Ghana)
Prof. Alfred A. Schmid (Switzerland)
Dr. Gertrude Tripp (Austria)
Mr. José Villagran Garcia (Mexico)
Prof. Vilhelm Wohlert (Denmark)

At its meeting immediately after the Assembly, the newly elected Executive Committee coopted four further members, under Art. 10(a) of the Statutes:

Arq. Graziano Casparini (Venezuela)
Arch. Mladen Mintchev (Bulgaria)
Arq. Victor Pimentel Gurnendi (Peru)
Mr. A.D. Saunders (United Kingdom)
It was also decided that in view of the greatly increased responsibilities of his post, Mr. Salusea should be given the title of Assistant Secretary General in addition to that of Treasurer, in accordance with Art. 10(f) of the Statutes.

ICOMOS ADVISORY AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS - NOVEMBER 1975

The annual meetings of the Advisory and Executive Committees were held at ICOMOS headquarters in Paris on November 20-21, 1975.

The Advisory Committee is ICOMOS’s chief policy-making body, providing the Forum for National and International Committee Chairman to discuss the development of ICOMOS’s international activities in the light of members’ needs and priorities. Its meeting was attended by the Chairmen of 22 National Committees or their representatives, as well as the Chairman of the Documentation, Historic Gardens, Historic Towns, Photogrammetry and Wood Committees.

After activity reports from those present, the Committee discussed the major points in ICOMOS’s programme and made special recommendations to the Executive Committee concerning:

- the revision of the Venice Charter
- the implementation of the World Heritage Convention
- the creation of a new international committee on vernacular architecture, with headquarters in Plovdiv (Bulgaria)
- ICOMOS interest in industrial sites and monuments.

Four Vice-Chairmen of the Committee were elected:

Mr. McKim (Canada), Mr. Mintchev (Bulgaria), Mr. Mokhtar (Egypt), and Mr. Sonnier (France).

The following day it was the turn of the Executive Committee to meet.

Items on the Agenda included the Secretary General’s and Treasurer’s reports, cooperation with Unesco and other international organisations, the Unesco/ICOMOS Documentation Centre, future ICOMOS meetings and the publications programme. The Committee decided on the measures necessary to implement the Advisory Committee’s recommendations, authorized the President and Treasurer to contract a loan of $10,000 to tide the Council over its current financial difficulties.

The meetings were attended by representatives of the Director General of Unesco, of the International Centre for Conservation, the International Council of Museums, the International Union of Architects and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature.

To mark the 10th Anniversary of ICOMOS’s foundation in 1965, a Press Conference and Reception were given on the evening of 20 November at the Hôtel de Sully, by kind invitation of the French Caisse Nationale des Monuments Historiques. The following evening the Cultural Attaché to the United States Embassy gave a small cocktail party in honour of Dr. Connelly as Secretary General of ICOMOS. On Saturday 22 November, special visits had been arranged to St. Germain -en-Laye and the Château de Maisons-Laffitte.

ICOMOS SECRETARIAT PARIS

The secretariat was strengthened with the arrival in September of Dr. Connolly’s Deputy in Paris, Mrs. Ann Webster Smith, seconded through UNESCO by the US National Park Service. Mrs. Smith was formerly Director of Planning and Programs of the President’s Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Washington, DC.
At the same time and after nine years, the ICOMOS Secretariat lost the valuable service of its original member, Pascale (Gervaise) Grémont, who had been ICOMOS's devoted Executive secretary. She has gone to live in Angers, outside Paris. We send her our best wishes in her new life there.

Brigitte (Filly) Busquet has also left us. Her first child, a daughter, Sophie, was born in January in Paris.

The new members of the Secretariat are Mrs. Anne Maunier and Mrs. Dominique Vander Elst, who has a particular responsibility for the Documentation Centre. Pierres Rodgers continues as Director of the Secretariat.

INTERNATIONAL SPECIALISED COMMITTEES

(1) International Committee on Architectural Photogrammetry (ICAP)

ICAP held its 1975 annual meeting in London on 21-25 September 1975. Professeur Franjo Braum, Director of the Photogrammetric Institute of the University of Zagreb (Yugoslavia), joined the Committee in 1975, thus bringing it up to full strength once more. The Committee's network of correspondents is also growing and is helping the Committee to draw up a list of photogrammetric surveys executed. A report entitled "La Photogrammétrie Architecturale en 1973 et 1974", was published and the audio-visual introduction to photogrammetry on which the Committee was working has now received its finishing touches. It consists of two series of slides: (A) Principles, equipment, methods, (B) practical application and examples with commentary and will be available as soon as the commentary has been translated (text in French, English and German).

The proceedings of the international symposium held in Athens (12-13 May, 1974) have been published both as a special issue of the review "Photogrammetria" (Editions Elsevier) and in "Photogrammetric Surveys of Monuments and Sites", edited by Dr. John Badekas, of the National Technical University in Athens (North Holland Publishing Co., 335 Jan Van Galenstreet, P.O. Box 103, Amsterdam W). The proceedings of the Lucaca Symposium (September 1973) are at the printers in Florence. ICAP has maintained its contacts with manufacturers of photogrammetric equipment and is attempting to see that architects' and archeologists' requirements for supplies of plates are satisfied.

The ICAP chairman, Mr. Maurice Carboneau and other members of the Committee undertook a large number of national and international engagements in the field. A full report of the year's activities is available from the ICOMOS Secretariat.

ICAP's 1976 meeting will follow the Bonn Symposium on 10-13 May (see below).

(II) Historic Gardens Committee (ICOMOS/IIFL)

The Committee held its full meeting at Zeist, in the Netherlands, on September 1975. Participants discussed cooperation with IFLA (International Federation of Landscape Architects), the recruitment of corresponding members, and preparations for the 4th Historic Gardens Symposium to be held in Czechoslovakia in 1977.

(III) International Committee on Historic Towns

Although it has existed for only a little over a year and although its membership is still incomplete, the Historic Towns Committee (made up of representatives of Historic Towns) under Mr. Andriss van den Abeele has
developed an ambitious programme.

Its first initiative was the organisation of the Bruges Symposium (see below) following a preparatory meeting to draft the resolutions which were submitted to the Symposium.

The Committee co-sponsored with ICSID (the International Council of Societies of Industrial Design) a lively seminar of designers on "Urban Traffic on a Human Scale" Bruges, 6-20 July), the report on which is forthcoming. In the immediate future, the Committee's most important objective is to marshal the economic arguments, with supporting facts and figures, in favour of conservation. Projects for the longer range include an inquiry into building regulations such as those governing building permits, control of publicity and signs, fire protection, and their impact on the conservation of historic buildings, and a campaign for support from historic towns for the Documentation Centre.

Ill health has obliged Professor Zachwatowicz to resign as Chairman of the Historic Towns Committee (Townplanning section).

(IV) International Committee on Stone Conservation

Following the resignation of Prof. R. Snayls as chairman of the joint ICOM-ICOMOS International Centre for Conservation Committee for Stone Conservation, the activities of the international organizations in this field have been reorganized. The ICOMOS Committee on Stone Conservation will act mainly by coordinating the activities of specialized working groups concerned with problems such as standardization of tests and microclimatic studies of buildings. Messrs S.Z. Lewin (USA), M Mamillan (France) and C. Price (U.K.) have agreed to form a group with G. Torreca (International Centre for Conservation) as secretary.

The ICOM working group is part of the ICOM Conservation Committee. At the Committee's last triennal meeting in Venice, October 1975, Prof. J. Lehmann (Poland) was appointed coordinator, assisted by Mr. J. Riederer (Fed. Rep. of Germany).

A general meeting was held at Bologna in 1975. At this meeting, which was divided into three sections on Deterioration, Conservation, Laboratory Testing, 52 papers (in French or English) were presented.

Responsibility for circulating information on the whole field of Stone Conservation has been assumed by the Centro Conservazione Sculture all'Aperto (Bologna), under the guidance of R. Rossi-Manaresi. An information sheet on Stone Conservation (n° 5) was issued by the Centre in February 1976, and the proceedings of the general meeting are at the printers. For further information contact: R. Rossi-Manaresi, Centro Conservazione Sculture all'Aperto, Via de Pignattari, 1, 40124 Bologna, Italy.

Also during 1975, the French "Revue des Monuments Historiques" published a special issue devoted to stone disease-maladie de la pierre. (Available from: Caisse Nationale des Monuments Historiques, 62 Rue St. Antoine, 75004 Paris).

(V) International Committee on Wood Conservation

The Revitalised Wood Committee met twice during 1975, in Rothenburg at the time of the General Assembly and in November at the time of the Executive Committee meeting.
Members of the Committee under the chairmanship of Ernest Martin (Switzerland) are Messrs Berry (France), Demeter (Canada), Mannerström (Sweden), Mikhailov (Bulgaria) and Noack (Federal Republic of Germany). These meetings enabled the Committee to establish its priorities and to draw up a programme. On the latter occasion, invitation was received from the Swedish National Committee to hold a working meeting to which participants from countries not represented on the Committee would be invited. This meeting will be the Committee’s first activity since the Ludwigsburg symposium in 1969 and will study the behaviour of wood as a construction material. The Committee has also undertaken an inquiry into the state of research in their own and neighbouring countries and into chances of obtaining financial assistance. A 1976 meeting was held at ICOMOS headquarters in France, at which Mr. Martin and his Committee met representatives of the leading French bodies concerned with wood as a building material.

ICOMOS SYMPOSIA

(Further information from ICOMOS Secretariat, Paris)

SYMPOSIUM ON CONSERVATION OF HISTORIC TOWNS

Bruges - 12-15 May 1975

Organized by the ICOMOS Historic Towns Committee and the City of Bruges, in cooperation with the Belgian Ministry of Culture, the Belgian Committee for European Architectural Heritage Year and the Belgian Association of Historic Towns, this Symposium brought together 600 participants from 30 different countries, among whom were more than 300 elected representatives or professional officers of Historic Towns, including many mayors and aldermen.

Ten of the 26 papers read to the meeting were by political personalities—ministers, mayors and aldermen. After an opening address by Mr. René Huyghe, of the French Academy, the meeting continued under the effective chairmanship of Prince Albert of the Belgians who also delivered the closing speech. It was built around 3 main themes:

1. The aims and principles of urban rehabilitation. (The debate was thus given its proper scope to include not only the protection of monuments but all aspects of town and city planning and respect for the overall, built and natural, environment. Rapporteurs: Pater Walker (U.K.) and A. Califice (Belgium). The social implications of Conservation and Restoration were dealt with by Luigi Benevolo (Italy) and A. Wassard (Belgium).)
(ii) Legal and administrative problems

[Rapporteurs: F. Traen (Belgium) - whose paper defined the basic principles at stake - J. Schaeffer, Alain Bacquet and Gérard Bolla, who gave accounts of three specific instances where actions had already borne fruit: the new Netherlands law on urban renewal, the "Loi Malraux" ten years after, and UNESCO's international programs in the field of conservation.]

(iii) Economic and financial problems - the crucial point for most local authorities

[Introductory paper by Andries Van den Abeele, who sketched the economic arguments and financial constraints which govern conservation policy; illustrative papers regarding conservation practices in six different countries were then presented by A. Baeten (Netherlands), W. Schlegel (Austria), Madame Arrou-Vignon (France), H.B. Cools (Belgium), A. Schmid (Federal Republic of Germany) and Donald Insall (United Kingdom).]

The proceedings were summed up in two speeches by the Chairman of the ICOMOS Historic Towns Committee, Mr. Van den Abeele, and by the Secretary General of ICOMOS, Prof. R.M. Lemaire.

The "Bruges Resolutions - Principles for the rehabilitation of historic towns can be supplied on demand by the ICOMOS Secretariat in Paris. The full text of all the papers read to the Symposium will be published in printed form before the end of 1976.

To coincide with the Symposium, a large Exhibition, containing contributions from almost 200 cities in 20 countries, had been mounted by the City of Bruges. This enabled participants as well as local inhabitants to become more aware of the very large number of conservation programmes existing in the world today.

Symposium on Historic Gardens

ZEIST (Netherlands) 9 - 12 September 1975

The ICOMOS / IFLA Historic Gardens Committee joined with the Netherlands National Committee of ICOMOS in organizing an International Symposium on the Restoration and Protection of Historic Gardens, held in the Castle of Zeist. At this meeting, the third of the series, priority was given to discussions about the choice of historically correct botanical species for use in replanting historic gardens. The Symposium called for further research into old species, for the establishment of a list of plants, trees and shrubs suitable for planting in gardens of different periods, for the creation of special nursery gardens, and for the adoption of the general principle of returning wherever possible to the original species. It also decided to draw up a list of gardens in danger, as a contribution to the Amsterdam Congress of European Architectural Heritage Year. An appeal was made concerning urgent work to be done in a number of outstanding gardens throughout Europe, and congratulated the authorities and the owners of gardens in eight countries where work was in progress or had recently been brought to a successful conclusion.

Following the Symposium, and as a result of the attention it received, the Netherlands Parliament voted a budget of Fl. 1.2 million for the restoration and maintenance of the historic gardens and garden pavilions of the country.
SYMPOSIUM ON VERNACULAR ARCHITECTURE

The Bulgarian National Committee of ICOMOS organized a Symposium on Vernacular Architecture and its adaptation to the needs of modern life at Plovdiv (24 Sept. - 2 Oct. 1975). 46 specialists from 17 countries attended the meeting, and 40 reports were presented, dealing with topics which ranged from the creation of open-air museums to the integrated conservation of the rural habitat. Apart from visiting the conservation area of Old Plovdiv, a 3-day study-trip enabled members to see fine vernacular buildings and to assess the problems of conversion of such properties to contemporary standards.

The study-trip included visits to the Black Sea town of Nessebar, the ancient capital of Timovo, the villages of Zheravna, Arbanassi, Bozhentsi, the open-air museum at Etara, as well as the Hellenistic tomb at Kazanlik, distinguished for its unique frescoes.

The proceedings of the meeting will be published as a special issue of MONUMENTUM, to be prepared by the Bulgarian National Committee, which will include a bibliography on the conservation of vernacular architecture. The ICOMOS Secretariat would be most grateful if individual members and National Committees would forward to Paris references to those publications which they feel should be included in this bibliography.

SYMPOSIUM ON THE CONSERVATION OF MUD BRICK

At the invitation of the Iranian Committee of ICOMOS and of the Iranian Ministry of Arts and Culture, and in cooperation with the National Commission for UNESCO, the 2nd International Symposium on the Conservation of Monuments in Mud Brick was held in Yazd (Iran) on March 6 - 11, 1976. More than twenty nations were represented - from Africa, North and South America, Asia and Europe - by senior officers of their historic buildings departments or by technical specialists in conservation. The meeting was sponsored jointly by ICOMOS and the International Centre for Conservation, whose Asst. Director, Dr. Giorgio Torracca, was joint rapporteur with Prof. Gullini of Turin University.

Building on the work of the first Symposium (also held in Yazd in 1972) there were discussions of traditional techniques of repair and maintenance, and of chemical methods of treatment of unbaked earth in buildings, which were critically analysed in the light of field results and of continuing laboratory tests.

Two particular areas of concern were identified: archaeological sites where mud brick remains are uncovered, and living towns and villages where mud brick remains the basic building material. Particular attention was paid to the social consequences of retaining buildings constructed in a material regarded, in many areas, as being low-grade and impermanent.

Participants gained first-hand experiences both of great architectural monuments and of humbler dwellings in mud brick in the course of visits to Yazd, Aghda, Nayin and Isfahan.

The meeting resolved to encourage and extend research into the technical properties of unbaked brick, with special regard to the preservation of the rich archaeological and architectural heritage in this material, and to the enormous potential of mud brick in low-cost housing applications.
An appeal was made to the Iranian Government concerning the conservation of towns and villages in mud brick throughout Iran.

The proceedings of the 1st Symposium are now available from the Secretariat in Paris (in French, English and Farsi); those of the 2nd meeting will be published in 1977.

WORKING GROUP ON THE STANDARDIZATION OF CONSERVATION TERMS

At the initiative of ICOMOS-Italia and the Restoration Faculty of the University of Naples, a small ICOMOS/International Centre for Conservation working group met in Ravello on April 8 - 10, 1976, to lay the foundations for a multilingual glossary of conservation terms. These terms often pose problems of translation, leading to misunderstandings in the interpretation of international documents and in the exchange of information.

The meeting examined a list of 54 terms, with their equivalents, prepared by the organizers, established a working method to arrive, where possible, at standard definitions of these terms in each language, and to find out their nearest equivalents in other languages. The languages used are, initially: English, French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish and Finnish. Other languages (particularly Arabic and Asian languages) will be added as work proceeds.

UNESCO-ICOMOS DOCUMENTATION CENTRE

The Austrian Government has provided a subvention for the Centre of £214 each year for 1975-76. This timely assistance is in addition to the considerable activity of Dr. Formenti, now Head of the Photogrammetry Section at the Bundesdenkmalamt, during the planning phases of the Centre and by his successor at the Conventions Office, Dr. Farka, who has been responsible for adapting the Thesaurus used by the Bundesdenkmalamt to the needs of the UNESCO-ICOMOS Centre. The text of the Thesaurus is in the hands of Mr. J. Palles, of the U.K. Committee (formerly librarian of the RIBA), who is translating it into English and French.

NEWS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES

(other news will be contained in the Annual Report on National Committees' Activities)

Dominican Republic

The ICOMOS National Committee sponsored the 2nd National Seminar on the Conservation and Restoration of Monuments, which was held in Puerto Plata on October 11 - 12, 1975.

The resolutions of the Inter-American Seminar on the Conservation and Restoration of the Architectural Heritage of the Colonial and Republican Periods, held in Santo Domingo on December 2 - 8, 1974, have been translated and are available in French, English and Spanish from the ICOMOS Secretariat in Paris.
France

New officers were elected by the French Section of ICOMOS in 1975:

Chairman : M. Jean Sonnier
Vice-Chairman : Dr. Bocquet, MM. Yves Boiret, François Enaud,
Michel Parent
Secretary General : M. Jean Salusse
Asst. Secretaries Gen : MM. J.H. Crozet, Jean Mougin
Treasurer : M. Jean Fosseyeux

The French Section has had a successful recruiting drive and now counts over 200 members, individual and corporate. Working groups have been set up on:
- restoration techniques
- integration of modern architecture in old surroundings
- French restorations and the Venice Charter
- Legal status of historic monuments
- management of historical monuments by public and private institutions
- economic, social and cultural life of old quarters.

A "Conseil National des Villes d'Art" has been formed within the French Section of ICOMOS. This body held a plenary meeting at Menton on January 30-31, 1976.

The French Section is organizing a Symposium on "French Restorations and the Venice Charter", which will take place in Paris on October 13 - 16, 1976. (Further details available from: Section française de l'ICOMOS,
Hôtel de Sully, 62, rue Saint-Antoine, 75004 Paris).

German Democratic Republic

The Institut für Denkmalpflege has devoted an issue of its Materialien und Berichte to the National Committee's 1974 Symposium on New Social Uses for Historic Monuments and Sites in the G.D.R. Copies of this interesting publication can be obtained from the ICOMOS Secretariat in Paris.

Greece

We regret to announce the death in 1975 of Prof. Nicolas Kondoleon,
Chairman of the Greek National Committee. The Chairmanship is temporarily vacant. Please address correspondence to the Secretary General, Prof. Nicolas Moutsopoulos.

India

The Committee has been reconstituted and brought up to strength. Officers are:
Chairman       : Shri M.N. Deshpande
Director General, Archaeological Survey of India, Janpath, New Delhi.
Vice-Chairman   : Shri B.K. Thapar (Vice-President of ICOMOS)
Secretary       : Shri R. Sengupta.

Mr. Sengupta has been honored by the President of India with award of "Padma Shri" for his work in preserving Monuments and Sites in India and Afghanistan.
Iran

The Iranian National Organization for the Conservation of Historical Monuments has published in English and French a 300-Pages Illustrated List of the Historical Sites and Ancient Monuments of Iran, compiled by N. Meshkati.

Italy

The Committee has been reorganised and many new members recruited. Officers are:

Chairman  : Prof. G. De Angelis d'Ossat
Secretary  : Dr. Bruno Valente
(Address  : Via Bocca di Leone 76, 00187 Rome).

Netherlands

The Netherlands Committee has established working groups on the revision of the Venice Charter, the protection of buildings after 1850, governmental responsibility for administration of monuments, finance, and new construction in old surroundings.

Rumania

The Rumanian Committee has been reorganised. Prof. Vasile Dragut, of the Directorate of the National Cultural Heritage continues as Chairman.

Address  : 16 rue Enachita Vacaescu, Bucaresti.

Spain

The Spanish Committee has been reorganised:

Chairman  : Mr. Ramon Falcon Rodriguez
Commissaire au Patrimoine Artistique National
Alfonso XII, 28, Madrid
Vice-Chairman  : Mr. Jose Manuel Gonzalez Valencel y Valencel
Mr. Antonio Blanco Freijano
Mr. Juan Bassegoda Nonell
Secretary  : Mr. Jose Sancho Rode
Assistant Secretary : Mr. Guillermo Saaz Aragon
Treasurer  : Mr. Antonio Almagro

U.S.A.

The US National Trust for Historic Preservation, a corporate member of US-ICOMOS is preparing a directory of major organizations working for the protection and conservation of the architectural heritage throughout the world. A preliminary draft lists more than 300 organizations. The US National Trust would greatly appreciate receiving information from preservation bodies (names, addresses, brief statement of principal fields of concern) to be sent to its Education Section (International Directory) 740 Jackson Place, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006. Elections :

Chairman  : W. Brown Morton III
Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation,
National Park Service.
Vice-Chairman  : Prof. F. Blair Reeves
Secretary Treasurer  : Mr. Robert R. Garvey, Jr.
Executive Committee  : Dr. Milton E. Lord, Dr. Elisabeth McDougall,
Mr. Robert H. McNulty, Mrs Terry B. Morton, Mr.
Arthur Skolnik
(Address  : Suite 1030, 1522 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005)
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3 - 9 sept 75 2nd International Congress on the conservation of industrial monuments (Bergbau - Bochum Museum, Bochum)
Bochum, FRG

6 - 9 sept 75 Corpus Vitrearum Medii Aevi - 9th International Symposium (Laboratoire de Recherches des Monuments Historiques, F. - 77420 Château de Champs / Mainvilliers) ICOMOS rep : J. Taronel.
Paris, France

Zeist, Netherl.

18 sept 75 International Union for the Conservation of Nature - 12th General Assembly (IUCN, 1110 - Morges, Switzerland)
Kinshasa, Zaire

17 - 20 sept 75 NGO Symposium: "The Environment and the Visual Arts" (International Association of Art, 1, rue Miollis - 75015 Paris)
Warsaw, Poland

Greenwich, U.K.

New York, USA


29 sept - 2 oct 75 Centre de Recherches et d'Études Océanographiques, Symposium on the Action of protective products and techniques used on stone masonry (CREO, 73 - 77 rue de Sevres F - 92100 Boulogne S/Seine) ICOMOS reps: J. Taronel, M. Mamillan.
La Rochelle, France

2 - 3 oct 75 European Cement Association, International Seminar on Civil engineering works in support of conservation and renovation of historic buildings and areas (Cembureau, 2, rue St Charles 75740 Paris Cedex 15) ICOMOS rep: J. Dupont.
Cologne, FRG


13 - 17 oct 75 ICOM, International Committee for Conservation, Plenary Meeting, Venice, Italie (ICOM, 1, rue Miollis, 75015 Paris)

13 - 18 oct 75 United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Conference on Tourism, Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia (ECE, Palais des Nations, CH 1211 Genève 10)


Accra, Ghana

12 - 21 nov 75 "Interbuild '75": Conference on restoration, preservation and building maintenance in conjunction with the International Building and Construction Exhibition (Olympia, London W).
London, UK

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9 - 18 feb 76 UNESCO, Special Committee of Governmental Experts to prepare a Draft Recommendation on the conservation of historic towns, quarters and sites and their integration into a modern environment (UNESCO, 7, place de Fontenoy - F - 75700 Paris) ICOMOS reps: A. Van den Abeele, J. Zachwatowicz.
Warsaw, Poland
6 - 11 mar 76
Yazd - Iran

6 - 17 mar 76
Paris, France
UNESCO, Special Committee of Governmental Experts to prepare a Draft Recommendation on the exchange of original objects and specimens between institutions in different countries (UNESCO, 7 place de Fontenoy, 75700 Paris).

18 - 21 Mar 76
Bologna, Italy
Internationale Burgen - Institut (IBI) / Istituto Italiano dei Castelli Conference (IBI, chateau de Rozendaal, Gelderland, Netherlands).

22 - 27 Apr 76
Tokyo, Japan

29 Mar - 3 Apr 76
UNESCO, Meeting of experts on the restitution of works of Art Cairo, Egypt (UNESCO, 7 place de Fontenoy 75700 Paris).

2 - 12 Apr 76

5 - 9 Apr 76

21 - 23 Apr 76
Rome, Italy
International Centre for Conservation: General Assembly (Centre for Conservation, Via San Michele 13, Rome) ICOMOS rep : E.A. Connolly.

26 - 30 Apr 76
Rome, Italy
UNESCO/ International Centre for Conservation, Meeting of Experts on the training of conservation specialists, (Centre for Conservation, Via San Michele 13, Rome) ICOMOS rep : E.A. Connolly.

3 - 6 May 76
Berlin, FRG

4 - 6 May 76
Washington, D.C.
CIB Working Group W 40 on heat and moisture transfer in porous building materials and structures (EH Vos (Coordinator, CIB W 40) Institute TNO for building materials and building structures PO Box 49 Delft, The Netherlands).

5 - 13 May 76
Warsaw, Poland
United Nations Economic Commission for Europe: 3rd Conference on research in the field of city and regional planning (ECE, Palais des Nations CH, 1211 Genève 10).

10 - 13 May 76
Bonn, FRG
International Committee on Architectural Photo-grammetry - International Symposium on the application of photogrammetry to architecture and conservation, (Bachstrasse 9, D - 5300 Bonn) - Landeskonservator, Rheinland.

31 May-11 June 76
Washington DC

31 May-11 June 76
Vancouver, Canada
United Nations Conference - Exposition "Habitat'76" (Secretariat: c/o Box 49183, Bentall Centre, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V7 X 7 K8) ICOMOS rep : J.M. Fitch.

21-25 June 76
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