

CHAPTER II
**REPORT ON THE XIXth GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASTRONOMICAL UNION**

AGENDA

Session 1 - November 19, 1985

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The names proposed by the Special Nominating Committee to the XIXth General Assembly at Delhi as members of the IAU Executive Committee for the term 1985-88 are reproduced in the proceedings of the First Session of the XIXth General Assembly, on p.17.

- 6. Announcement of :**
 - a) The names of Official Representatives of Adhering Organizations
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- 8. Appointment of the Resolutions Committee**
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The Executive Committee proposes that By-Law 17 be changed as follows :

"The Executive Committee appoints the Union's Representative to the International Council of Scientific Unions ; if not already an elected member of the Executive Committee, this representative will become its adviser."

"Le Comité Exécutif nomme le représentant de l'Union qui doit siéger au sein du Conseil International des Unions Scientifiques ; si ce représentant n'est pas déjà un membre élu du Comité Exécutif, il devient conseiller."

The change consists in deleting the words "... on the Executive Committee..." and reflects a change in the ICSU Structure.

- 10. Resolutions submitted by Adhering Bodies**
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- 12. Report of the Finance Committee**
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- 13. Financial Resolutions of the Executive Committee**
- a) Proposed Budget 1985
 - b) Unit of Contribution to the IAU, 1986-1988
The Executive Committee proposes that the unit of contribution be fixed at SFr 1 885 (1986), 1 945 (1987) and 2 005 (1988).
 - c) Proposed Budget 1986-1988
The Executive Committee proposes a budget of Swiss Francs 1 722 000 for this triennium.
 - d) Other financial resolutions
Not included in the proposed budget.
- 14. Resolutions submitted by the Executive Committee**
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- 16. Appointment of the Special Nominating Committee**
- 17. Nominations of the new Members of the Union**
- 18. Application for IAU Membership**
- 19. Changes in Commissions**
- a) Election of Presidents and Vice-Presidents of Commissions for the period 1985-1988
 - b) Organizing Committees of Commissions
 - c) Names of Commissions
The following change of name has been proposed for Commission 51 : "Search for Extraterrestrial Life", to be renamed : "Biastronomy : Search for Extraterrestrial Life".
- 20. The place and date of the XXth General Assembly**
- 21. Election to the Union of a President, six Vice-Presidents, a General Secretary and an Assistant General Secretary**
- 22. Address by the President 1982-1985**
- 23. Address by the President 1985-1988**
- 24. Closing Ceremonies**

PROCEEDINGS
XIXth GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION

Held in the Siri Fort Auditorium

19th November 1985, 15:30

Prof. R. Hanbury Brown, President in the Chair

Opening of the First Session

Before we go any further I want to say just a few words to the many people in this Hall for whom these proceedings are their first experience of an IAU meeting. I am concerned that much of the Agenda may seem to them not only boring but unnecessary. I shall not try to persuade them that these proceedings are entertaining, but only that they are necessary. The IAU, thanks to a lot of hard work by few dedicated people, can justifiably claim to have the least possible administrative machinery at the least possible cost. The agenda of this session represents the essential nuts and bolts of that machinery.

I have in mind an awful picture of some newcomers to our Union trying to find out what the IAU is all about by reading our Transactions Volume B in their library before setting out for the General Assembly. Our Statutes would tell them the purposes of this Union, but only in the most general terms; however if they were lucky enough to come across the recent Report of the Subcommittee on IAU Commission Structure, to which I shall refer later, then they would find the functions of this Union spelled out more in terms of what it actually tries to do.

Very briefly the principal aim of the Union, a very worthy aim, is to develop astronomy through international cooperation. In pursuit of that aim it sponsors international scientific meetings, international scientific programmes, international scientific services which are needed by astronomers, and it represents the interests of astronomy on a host of international bodies. If you cannot always see how these functions are related to what is going on in this meeting, then there is one major function of our Union which you can appreciate quite simply by looking around the hall. I refer, of course, to the fact that the IAU promotes international cooperation in astronomy by fostering an international community and by encouraging an awareness of that community. In a world which is divided by nationalism the IAU aims to preserve the unity of astronomy, and to preserve the unity of astronomy with the other sciences. One of the principal ways in which it does so, is to create a community of people with a common interest in the one sky which we all share.

Let me remind you of just two of the many ways in which it does this: firstly, unlike many other international Unions, it enlists individuals as members: secondly, it spends a great deal of time, trouble and money in bringing these individuals together every three years. And so I ask you to remember that this General Assembly, with all the inevitable difficulties which attend any large meeting, is not to be seen simply as a number of smaller meetings of specialised Commissions, but as an important step towards one of the principal objectives of our Union, the making of a real, live, international community of astronomers.

One of the first things I did when I was elected President was to try to find out whether or not there was a need to reorganise the IAU either to meet its present obligations or to meet those of the future. I asked the opinion of a great many people, Presidents of Commissions, past Officers of the Union and so on. To my surprise and dismay, very few people were prepared to make serious criticisms of the Union; all they had to offer were minor improvements. It seemed that either the Union was perfect or, perhaps, that it was beyond repair!

Finding both these conclusions hard to accept I persuaded, with the help of the Executive Committee, that faithful friend of the IAU, Patrick Wayman, to chair a sub-committee on IAU Commission Structure : this was one limited aspect of the IAU which we thought should be examined in detail. As I expected, the sub-committee did not find the IAU to be perfect ; they made a number of constructive criticisms - nothing very radical but nevertheless valuable. I hope you will read their report ; a summary was published in the IAU Bulletin No. 53. To my mind one of the most important sections of that report is where they draw our attention to the importance of the part played by the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of our Commissions and suggest how the procedure for electing them might be improved.

Looking to the future let me draw your attention to one or two points ; firstly I invite you to note the presence at this General Assembly of a large contingent of astronomers from the People's Republic of China - the Executive Committee has done everything in its power to encourage their attendance and we are delighted to see them here. We look forward to the part which I am sure they will play in the life of the Union.

There are, I should add, a number of countries in which astronomy is practised but which do not, as yet, adhere to this Union. The Executive, largely thanks to the personal efforts of the General Secretary, is exploring whether or not the IAU can play any useful part in the development of astronomy in those countries.

May I also invite you to note from the Draft Budget for 1986-1988 put forward by the Executive, that we propose to increase substantially the fraction of our budget which is spent on the support of international symposia and colloquia ; this proposal is put forward in the simple conviction that these meetings represent one of the most worthwhile activities of this Union.

Finally let me say that my own experience of the last three years suggests that, although the IAU is not perfect, nevertheless it is meeting its present obligations very well and, as far as I can see, it is in good shape to meet the future.

1. Formal Opening

The President welcomed the members of the Union, Invited Participants and Registered Guests. He emphasized the value of individual membership, and extended a special welcome to those of the members who have belonged to the Union for fifty years or more, especially those who were present at the XIXth General Assembly :

Prof. W.J. Luyten
Prof. K.A. Strand
Prof. Z. Kopal.

He proposed to send a message of greetings to the others, not present :

Prof. Y. Oehman
Prof. J.H. Oort
Prof. S. Plakidis
Dr. H.B. Sawyer-Hogg
Dr. F. Whipple.

This suggestion was approved by acclamation.

A special welcome was extended to members who in the past have served on the Executive Committee of this Union, and who were attending the General Assembly :

Prof. W. Iwanowska
 Prof. E. Müller
 Prof. J.-C. Pecker
 Prof. J. Sahade
 Prof. S. van den Bergh

and to the official representatives of the Adhering Organizations which support this Union.

Furthermore, the President extended a hearty welcome to the official representatives of ICSU and sister Unions as followed :

ICSU	E.A. Müller
UNESCO	M. Derkatch
ESA	R. Bonnet
IUPAC	C.N.R. Rao
IUHPS	O. Pedersen
BIPM	P. Giacomo
BIH	B. Guinot, M. Feissel
IGU	M. Shafi
FAGS	E.A. Tandberg Hanssen
NASA	C. J. Pellerin
COSTED	S. Radhakrishna
IUTAM	R. Narasimha
IAF	L. Perek
IUPAP	G. Swarup
IAGA	R.G. Rastoji
URSI	V. Radhakrishnan
CTS	D. McNally
CCIR	Mr. Nalbandian
IAG	I.I. Mueller
IUGG	P. Pâquet
INTERCOSMOS	A.G. Masevitch
ISWA	J. Cornell

The representative of ICSU, Prof. Edith Müller read a message from ICSU :

"The President of ICSU has asked me to express his regrets that he is unable to be with you on the occasion of the XIXth General Assembly of the International Astronomical Union. He has asked me to extend to you his best wishes for a successful Assembly.

As one of the founder organizations of ICSU's predecessor, the International Research Council, the International Astronomical Union has played and continues to play an important role in ICSU and in its development. This applies particularly at the present moment when your Secretary General, Dr. Richard West, is a member of the Executive Board of ICSU.

The development of science in the last forty years has been considerable. ICSU has made a number of changes in its organization, statutes and methods of work in an endeavour to adapt to such changes. Such modifications have been beneficial but it was recently decided to have a more thorough study of the organization of international science and ICSU's role therein, and a conference was organised recently which brought together about 50 people from within and outside the ICSU family. A wide range of suggestions were put forward and these are being reviewed by a small group which will suggest short and longer term follow-up actions to the Executive Board, which will then put its proposals to the ICSU General Assembly in September 1986.

One of the points that came out strongly in the conference discussions was the importance of ICSU's role in basic science and particularly in the preparation and organization of programmes of basic science studies, such as that proposed on Global Change, not being undertaken by other organisations.

Another point that came out strongly was the need for ICSU and the members of the ICSU family to increase their visibility. In this respect it is a pleasure to note the care with which arrangements for the Press have been made during this Assembly.

Mr. President, distinguished participants, you have a busy period in front of you and I would not wish to diminish the time available to discuss science. Let me close, therefore, in reiterating the best wishes and to say how pleased I am to see once again so many friends and colleagues."

The President then asked those present to stand while the General Secretary would read the names of the members who had died since the XVIIIth General Assembly. The General Secretary then read the following list :

ABELL, George O.	DIECKVOSS, Wilhelm K.E.
ABETTI, G.	DOAN, H.H.
ARAKELIAN, M.A.	DOUGLAS, A.E.
BAEHR, U.	DUNHAM, Théodore
BAPPU, M.K.V.	EBBIGHAUSEN, E.G.
BERTAUD, Charles	FATCHIKIN, Nikolaj
BEYER, Max	FILLIOZAT, Jean
BIGAY, J.H.	FLORENSKY, K.P.
BINNENDIJK, Leendert	FORBES, Eric C.
BOGORODSKY, A.F.	FRESA, Alfonso
BOK, Bart J.	GAPOSHKIN, S.I.
BOTELHOIRO, A.	GAVRILOV, I.V.
BULLEN, K.E.	GEMANTSEV, German G.
BURCH, Cecil	GIOVANELLI, Ronald
CANNON, Chris	GRIGOREVSKY, V.M.
CECCARELLI, M.	HARTNER, W.R.
COX, John	HATTORI, Akira
D'AZAMBUJA, M.L.	HECKMANN, Otto
DE MARCUS, W.C.	HEMENWAY, Curtis L.
DECAUX, Bernard	HOHL, Frank
DEMENKO, A.A.	HOUTGAST, J.

JOHNSON, Martin	PRZYBYLSKI, Antoni
JUNKES, Josef	PURGATHOFER, Alois
KASTLER, Alfred	REINHARDT, Michael
KATASEV, L.A.	ROSSELAND, Svein
KIPPER A.	RYLE, Martin
KIZILIRMAK, Abdullah	SAMAHA, A.H.M.
KOBRIN, M.M.	SCHOMBERT, John
KOROLKOV, D.V.	SHCHEGLOV, V.P.
KOZYREV, Nikolaj A.	SHEN, Zee
KRAT, Vladimir A.	SHKLOVSKY, Joseph
KRINOV, E.L.	SIEGEL, C.L.
KUZMENKO, K.N.	SIMONENKO, A.N.
LABORDE, Georges	SOCHER, Hermann
LAMBRECHT, Hermann	SCHUERMAN, D.W.
LAPAZ, Lincoln	SHANE, Donald C.
LI, Zhong Ryul	SLAUCITAJIS, S.
LITTLE, Alec	SMITH, Henry J.
LINFOOT, E.H.	SOCHER, H.
LINK, François	STARYTSIN, Gennadij
LOHMANN, W.	STEARNS, C.L.
MALMQUIST, K.G.	STERNBERK, B.
MAMEDBEJLI, G.D.	SWINGS, Pol
MARCUS, Eila	TANAKA, Haruo
MCKINLEY, Donald	TAVASTSHERNA, K.N.
MEFFROY, Jean F.	TEMESVARY, Stefan
MEHLTRETTER, J.P.	TUVE, Merle
MELNIKOV, O.A.	VANDERLINDEN, H.L.
MERTON, Gerard	VARSAVSKY, Carlos
MICHEL, Karl-Wolfgang	VASILEV, Vladimir
MIKHAILOV, A.A.	VELTMANN, Ulo Ilmar K.
MÜLLER, R.	VON SOCHER, Hermann
NICOLINI, Tito	VSEKHSVYATSKIJ, Sergius K.
NIKOLSKY, G.M.	WAGMAN, N.E.
O'CONNELL, D.J.K.	WIDORN, Thomas
OKUDA, Toyozo	WILCOX, John M.
PIOTROWSKI, Stefan	WOOD, Harley Weston
PLAUT, Lucas	ZHAO, Que-Min
POPOV, N.A.	ZHONGOLOVICH I.D.
PRICE DE SOLLA, Derek J.	

2. Appointment of Official Interpreters

The General Secretary appointed J. Rountree as official interpreter from French to English and C. Cesarsky from English to French.

3. Report of the Executive Committee 1982-84

The President invited discussion about the Report of the Executive Committee for the 3-year interval 1982-84, as an extract was presented in IAU Information Bulletin No. 54.

He mentioned that it had been given consideration by the official representatives of

Adhering Organizations, who, with the important reservation that the financial section of the report would come under scrutiny of the Finance Committee of the General Assembly, were prepared to recommend adoption of the report, subject to further discussion here.

There were no points raised from the audience, and the General Assembly unanimously approved the Report of the Executive Committee (1982-1984), subject to a relevant report by the Finance Committee (the full report is printed in this volume, see Chapter III).

4. Report of the General Secretary (January–November 1985)

a) IAU Membership Nominations

The President asked the General Secretary to inform the General Assembly about proposals of individuals to IAU Membership.

The General Secretary indicated that he had received almost 900 proposals of individuals to IAU membership. A further 43 were received from Presidents and members of the Executive Committee.

b) Report by the General Secretary

First of all, I should like to thank most heartily the President and the Assistant General Secretary, as well as the other members of the Executive Committee for their very efficient support during the recent period of great activity. Moreover, I believe that a few of you realize how much work has been done during the past three years by the two secretaries, Mrs. B. Manning and Miss D. Lours, as well as by my secretary in Munich, Mrs. E. Völk, and by Mrs. D. Fraipont, secretary to the Assistant General Secretary in Liège. We are privileged to have been helped by them during our period of office and I should like to express my sincere thanks to them.

The main effort during the past ten months has been directed towards the organization of the XIXth IAU General Assembly here in Delhi. The work involved the arrangement of the scientific programme and all the practical details of travel and lodging. As you undoubtedly already noticed, our Indian colleagues have established a most impressive organisation around this meeting which is running as smoothly as anybody could expect. It is a particular pleasure to thank the members of the National and Local Organizing Committees and the Chairmen, Profs. M.G.K. Menon and A.P. Mitra. They have managed to gain access to Vigyan Bhavan for us. It is the Prime Minister's conference complex, and I am told that very few scientific organizations have ever been given this great privilege.

We are also thankful for the extensive financial support which has been given to this General Assembly and which has allowed the IAU and the Local Organisers to support no less than 250 scientists. Most of these are young and many come from countries where astronomy has not yet been fully developed. I am sure that they and their colleagues from other countries who come for the first time to an IAU General Assembly will find this a most useful and scientifically beneficial experience.

The programme in front of us is very full, but you should be able to keep track of what is going on through the daily issues of the newspaper "Mandakini" and by reading regularly the notice boards. I should also like to say that the organisers and the IAU Executive Committee have placed a special emphasis on the press relations at this meeting. There will be several press conferences and I ask you kindly to be available for interviews with scientific reporters.

Another important item during the past months has been the now completed computerization of the entire IAU member file. Telephone, telex, commission membership, etc., have been added and this will greatly facilitate interaction among IAU members in the future. It is expected that the updated lists, including the new members, who will be admitted at this General Assembly, will become available in early 1986. As a special service to Commission Presidents, the Secretariat will be able to produce address labels for commission members. This will facilitate the work of the Commission Presidents and hopefully increase the frequency with which they are in contact with their members through circular letters etc.

There have been many other activities, and you will hear about most of them during this General Assembly. I wish you a profitable meeting and look forward to have the opportunity to meet many of you in person during the coming days.

The General Secretary's report was received with acclamation.

5. Report on the Work of the Special Nominating Committee

The President informed the Assembly that the Special Nominating Committee had selected the following IAU members to be proposed as members of the Executive Committee from November 28, 1985 :

As President : Professor J. Sahade (Argentina)

As Vice-Presidents continuing from the former period :

Professor R.P. Kraft (USA)
Professor M. Peimbert (Mexico)
Professor Ya. S. Yatskiv (USSR)

As Vice-Presidents to be newly proposed :

Professor A. Batten (Canada)
Professor R. Kippenhahn (F.R. Germany)
Professor P.-O. Lindblad (Sweden)

As General Secretary : Dr. J.-P. Swings (Belgium)

As Assistant General Secretary :

Dr. D. McNally (UK)

As Advisers to the Executive Committee :

Professor R. Hanbury Brown (Australia)
Dr. R.M. West (Denmark)

The President informed the Assembly that the formal election would take place at the Final Session of the General Assembly.

6. Announcement of

a) Official Representatives of Adhering Organizations

and

b) Representatives to vote on the Nominating Committee.

As requested by the President, the General Secretary announced the following names :

COUNTRY	CAT/UNITS	NATL. REPRESENTATIVE	NOMINATING COMM. REP.
Arab Rep. Egypt	III/4	A. Aiad	M. Khairy Aly
Argentina	II/2	J.L. Sersic	A. Ringuelet
Australia	III/4	K.C. Freeman	K.C. Freeman
Austria	I/1	H.F. Haupt	H.F. Haupt
Belgium	IV/6	P. Smeyers/ J. Dommanget	J. Dommanget
Brazil	II/2	S. M. Viegas Aldrovandi	S. M. Viegas Aldrovandi
Bulgaria	I/1	Z. Kovachev	M.K. Tsvetkov
Canada	VI/14	G. Michaud	J. R. Percy
Chile	I/1	F. Noël	F. Noël
China (Nanjing)	III/4	Wang Shou-guan	Qu Qin-yue
China (Taipei)	I/1	Typhoon Lee	Typhoon Lee
Colombia	I/1	-----	-----
Cuba	I/1	-----	-----
Czechoslovakia	III/4	V. Bumba/ J. Sykora	L. Kresak
Denmark	II/2	O. Pedersen	O. Pedersen
Finland	I/1	K. Mattila	K. Lumme
France	VII/20	J.C. Pecker	P. Lantos
German Dem. Rep.	II/2	H. Lorenz	H. Lorenz
German Fed. Rep.	VII/20	R. Kippenhahn	R. Wielebinski
Greece	II/2	-----	-----
Hungary	II/2	I. Almar	B. Szeidl
India	III/4	J.C. Bhattacharyya	V.R. Venugopal
Indonesia	I/1	B. Hidayat	W. Sutantyo
Iran	I/1	-----	-----
Iraq	I/1	H.M. Al-Naimy	T.H. Kadouri
Ireland	I/1	I. Elliott	P.A. Wayman
Israel	II/2	-----	-----

Italy	V/10	V. Castellani	V. Castellani
Japan	VI/14	Y. Kozai/ K. Kodaira	K. Kodaira
Korea Dem. People	I/1	Kim Yong Hyok	Kim Yong Hyok
Korea, Rep. of	I/1	Tu Hwan Kim	Tu Hwan Kim
Mexico	II/2	S. Torres-Peimbert	D. Dultzin
Netherlands	IV/6	H. van Woerden	W.B. Burton
New Zealand	I/1	E. Budding	E. Budding
Norway	I/1	J. Solheim	J. Solheim
Poland	III/4	W. Iwanowska	B. Kolaczek
Portugal	II/2	J. Pereira Osorio	J. Pereira Osorio
Roumania	II/2	-----	-----
South Africa	III/4	E.E. Baart	J. Menzies
Spain	II/2	A. Orte	M. De Pascual
Sweden	III/4	A. Sandqvist/ B. Gustafsson	A. Hjalmarsson
Switzerland	III/4	E.A. Müller	B. Hauck
Turkey	I/1	-----	-----
United Kingdom	VII/20	A. Hewish	F.G. Smith
U.S.A.	VIII/30	F. Drake	H. Smith
U.S.S.R.	V/10	V. Straizys	A.V. Tutukov
Uruguay	I/1	A. Benavidez	A. Benavidez
Vatican State City	I/1	M. McCarthy	M. McCarthy
Venezuela	I/1	J. Stock	J. Stock
Yugoslavia	II/2	S. Ninkovic	S. Ninkovic

c) Acting Presidents of Commissions

The General Secretary announced that the Executive Committee had appointed the following persons to act for Presidents of Commissions unable to attend the General Assembly :

<u>Commission</u>	<u>Acting President</u>
15	J. Rahe
31	D. McCarthy
46	C. Iwaniszewska

7. Appointment of the Finance Committee

In accord with Statute 18(a), the General Assembly appointed the following Finance Committee consisting of one representative from each Adhering Body :

COUNTRY	CAT/UNITS	FINANCE REP.	DEPUTY
Arab Rep. Egypt	III/4	A. Aiad	
Argentina	II/2	E. Brandi	
Australia	III/4	K. Freeman	
Austria	I/1	H.F. Haupt	
Belgium	IV/6	P. Smeyers	
Brazil	II/2	S. M. Viegas Aldrovandi	
Bulgaria	I/1	V.G. Shkodrov	
Canada	VI/14	S. van den Bergh	
Chile	I/1	L. Campusano	
China (Nanjing)	III/4	Ye Shu-hua	
China (Taipei)	I/1	Typhoon Lee	
Colombia	I/1	-----	
Cuba	I/1	-----	
Czechoslovakia	III/4	J. Sykora	V. Bumba
Denmark	II/2	J. Andersen	
Finland	I/1	V. Piirola	
France	VII/20	G. Wlérick	
German Dem. Rep.	II/2	H. Lorenz	
German Fed. Rep.	VII/20	M. Grewing	
Greece	II/2	-----	
Hungary	II/2	I. Almar	
India	III/4	M.B.K. Sharma	
Indonesia	I/1	Mr. Darsa	
Iran	I/1	-----	
Iraq	I/1	S.A.A. Abdulla	T.H. Kadouri
Ireland	I/1	I. Elliott	
Israel	II/2	A. Serban	
Italy	V/10	G. Tofani	
Japan	VI/14	Y. Kozai	K. Kodaira
Korea Dem. People	I/1	Li Son Jae	

Korea, Rep. of	I/1	-----
Mexico	II/2	D. Dultzin
Netherlands	IV/6	E.P.J. van den Heuvel
New Zealand	I/1	E. Budding
Norway	I/1	R. Stabell
Poland	III/4	S. Grzedzielski
Portugal	II/2	J. Pereira Osorio
Roumania	II/2	-----
South Africa	III/4	E. Baart
Spain	II/2	A. Orte
Sweden	III/4	A. Ardeberg
Switzerland	III/4	E.A. Müller
Turkey	I/1	-----
United Kingdom	VII/20	F.G. Smith
U.S.A.	VIII/30	P. Boyce
U.S.S.R.	V/10	V.K. Abalakin
Uruguay	I/1	A. Benavidez
Vatican State City	I/1	M. McCarthy
Venezuela	I/1	J. Stock
Yugoslavia	II/2	S. Ninkovic

8. Appointment of the Resolutions Committee

The President informed the Assembly that the Executive Committee proposed a Resolutions Committee to be established under the chairmanship of Prof. M. McCarthy, and with Drs. D. Morton and M. Kitamura as members. The General Assembly unanimously agreed to *this composition of the Resolutions Committee.*

9. Revisions of the Statutes and By-Laws

The change in By-Lay 17 such as mentioned in § 9 of the Agenda, is approved.

10. Resolutions submitted by Adhering Bodies

No resolutions were proposed to the XIXth General Assembly by Adhering Bodies.

11. Resolutions submitted by Commissions or by Associated Inter-Union Commissions

The President mentioned that six motions proposed by Commissions had been notified to Adhering Organizations for inclusion in the Agenda. However, the Executive Committee

proposed that some of these Resolutions be referred to the Resolutions Committee and be taken under Item 5 of the Agenda of the Second Session of the NINETEENTH General Assembly.

The President then formally adjourned the meeting to Thursday, November 28, 1985 at 10:00 and closed the Session with a word of thanks to the participants.