



M I N U T E S

of the Eighth meeting of the Praesidium of the International Society for Mine Surveying (ISM) in the Sea resort "Golden Sands", Varna/Bulgaria on the 20th September, 1982

On the 2nd July, 1982 the President of ISM sent to the members of the Praesidium a letter to invite them to take part in the work of the 8th Sitting. According to the recommendations of the letter the following agenda was set out :

1. Ascertainment of the presence and quorum of the Praesidium.
2. Approval of the Minutes of the 7th Sitting of the Praesidium of ISM, which met from 26th to 28th October, 1981 in Sofia, Bulgaria.
3. Admittance of new members to ISM and to the special commissions for mine surveying.
4. Information on the arrangements for the 5th International Symposium on Mine Surveying. Approval of the programme for the official opening of the Symposium.
5. Arrangements for holding the General Meeting of ISM members on 24th September, 1982. Nomination of the Praesidium members for the period 1983 - 1985.
6. Nomination of the Commissions' Chairmen.
7. Information on the national events on mine surveying topics.
8. Place and time for holding the 9th, 10th and 11th Meetings of the Praesidium and the 6th, 7th and 8th International Symposia on Mine Surveying.
9. Miscellanea.

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The following members attended the Praesidium meeting :

K. Georgiev, President - Bulgaria
J. Weeks, Vice-President - Great Britain
H. Vosen, Vice-President - FRG
G. Beschasnyy - USSR
M. Bordonne - France
M. Dopita - CSSR
I. Klemencsics - Hungary
Z. Kowalczyk - Poland
O. Lindholm - Finland
E. Ludvigsen - Norway
G. Mellnar - Sweden
K. Neset - CSSR
M. Pataric - Yugoslavia
F. Hart - USA
A. Chrzanowski - Canada
V. Svagr - CSSR
H. Spickernagel - Austria

and invited as guests :

G. Alpar - Hungary
K. Vishnovski - Hungary
O. Gregory - Great Britain
R. Gilberg - Great Britain
S. Johnson - USA
J. Luxa - CSSR
Ma Vei-min - China
M. Naiberg, General Secretary of the Organizing Committee
of the World Mining Congress - Poland
Navishnii - USSR
K. Hughes - Great Britain
E. Czubik - Austria
P. Ganchev - Bulgaria
I. Kissimov - Bulgaria
M. Mazhdrakov - Bulgaria
M. Pankov - Bulgaria
N. Semkov - Bulgaria
V. Strashilov - Bulgaria
I. Hristov - Bulgaria

The meeting was opened by the President of ISM K.Georgiev. Welcoming speeches were extended by Mr. M.Naiberg, General Secretary of the World Mining Congress and Mr. N.Semkov, Secretary of the Union of Mining, Geology and Metallurgy in Bulgaria.

Item 1 of the Agenda :

From all 24 members of the Praesidium 17 representatives of 15 countries presented.

The following members of the Praesidium sent welcoming messages as they were prevented to attend the Sitting :

- F. Allieu - Liberia
- G. Dalby - Australia
- A. Parwaresh - Iran
- B. Singh - India

H. Spickernagel noticed that in the Minutes of the 7th Praesidium meeting was wrongly written "2nd Plenary Session" instead of "3rd Plenary Session".

Item 2 of the Agenda :

The Minutes of the 7th Praesidium Sitting held on 26th - 28th October, 1981 in Sofia were formally approved with the only remark of Klemecsics, Hungary to be corrected in the German version that Mr.Alpar was a guest from Hungary and not a Bulgarian representative.

Item 3 of the Agenda :

The President of ISM K.Georgiev made an information about the new applications for membership in ISM and the nomination of Chairmen of the special commissions.

The attending Praesidium members accepted as a new member of ISM - A special group for Mine Surveying with the Association of Mining Engineers in Spain and as group members :

- Australian Surveying Association;
- Institute VNIMI - USSR;
- Section "Mine Surveying" with the Union of Mining, Geology and Metallurgy - Bulgaria.

As a Chairman of Commission No.2 was accepted and approved Mr. H.Palm, FRG.

Item 4 of the Agenda :

The President of ISM K.Georgiev made an amendment to the information sent in advance to the Praesidium members about the preparations of the 5th International Symposium on Mine Surveying in Bulgaria. Preliminary applications for participation were sent by 400 foreign delegates from 35 countries. Until present were received registration fees by 330 foreign delegates, including 34 accompanying persons from 22 countries and 270 delegates and guests from Bulgaria.

K. Georgiev informed the members with the programme for the official opening of the Symposium and gave the names of the persons who would extend welcoming speeches.

H. Spickernagel asked to be settled the honorary Praesidium for the official opening as well as the time schedule for the presentation of the papers and lists with the names of the members of the working commissions.

Item 5 of the Agenda :

K.Georgiev announced that according to the ISM Statute, the new President should be the representative of the country hosting the 6th Symposium and as Vice-Presidents - the former President and the representative of the country hosting the 7th Symposium.

On basis of preliminary official inquiries until now were received three proposals for hosting the 7th Symposium by :

- The Spanish Association of the Mining Engineers;
- The Ministry of Coal Industry of the USSR;
- The University of Kentucky - Kentucky/USA;

The Scandinavian countries replied that they were not able to organize the 7th International Symposium.

Prof. A.Chrzanowski, Canada expressed an opinion for necessity of succession the hosting by the continents. He thought that if the USA will be the host of the 7th Symposium that would allow the participation of a great number of delegates from South America, Japan, South Africa, China, etc. He thought that ISM should not carry a policy of discrimination and that would not happen with the joint efforts of all Praesidium members.

H.Spickernagel stressed on the exceptional atmosphere of friendliness and good will existing among the delegates of the different countries and he would be very happy that to continue for ever.

He maintained the proposal of the Soviet Union for hosting the 7th Symposium with a request if that proposal would be accepted, the Soviet representative and his country to do their best for a popular and unimpeded participation for any one who wishes. He suggested if it would be possible the 8th Symposium to be held in the USA.

H. Vosen thought that the proposal for organizing the 7th Symposium in the USSR was in conformity with the decisions of the 7th Praesidium meeting.

Prof. Z.Kowalczyk conveyed the greetings and wishes of the Polish Academy of Mining. He requested the ISM not to permit any political aspect.

J.Weeks pointed out that for him as next President would be more convenient to work with a Vice-President speaking English, but in all cases he would support the decision of the Praesidium.

Prof. F.Hart explained that in compliance with the decision of the 7th Praesidium meeting he had made some inquiries and now he could deliver the invitation by the University of Kentucky. He also maintained the proposal the 7th Symposium in 1988 to be held in the USSR, but he asked the President Georgiev to approach directly the University of Kentucky and to ask them to be so kind and to host the 8th Symposium in 1991 in the USA.

Prof. K.Neset maintained Mr.Spickernagel's opinion for holding the 7th Symposium in the USSR. He suggested the 8th Symposium to be organized in the USA and the 9th Symposium in Spain. The three countries have a good experience in hosting big international events in the field of mining and he trusted they would be able to prove that in future.

K. Georgiev reminded that according to ISM Statute the Organization was not a political association and did not pursue economic objectives. Until the present everything developed normal and among the members reigned a spirit of friendliness, good will, mutual understanding and respect which should be kept in future too. The delegates would be convinced of the hospitality of his country. As a President he did not want to exert influence on the Praesidium members regarding the order of hosting the 7th, 8th and 9th Symposia.

He suggested on the 9th Praesidium meeting in 1983 to be discussed the change of the name from International Symposium to International Congress on Mine Surveying.

He had sent to the Praesidium members and to the Chairmen of the five commissions Information on the work of Commission No.3 prepared by the Chairman E.Czubik.

The Praesidium of ISM approved the information of Dr. E. Czubik.

Mr. H.Palm from FRG was proposed for a Chairman of Commission No.2.

The President suggested on the next Praesidium Sitting to be discussed the establishment of a new Commission No.6 under the name "Application of the computer technics in Mine Surveying".

After discussions the Praesidium accepted with majority the following programme for holding the 7th, 8th and 9th International Symposia for Mine Surveying :

- 7th Symposium in 1988 in USSR;
- 8th Symposium in 1991 in USA ;
- 9th Symposium in 1994 in Spain ;

The meeting in 1991 should be held in North America, but other proposals will also be considered.

Item 6 of the Agenda :

H. Spickernagel asked to be replaced as a Chairman of Commission No.4, because he is well on in years.

P. Mechkarski thought it would be more correct that to be discussed first in the working commission No.4 and they to make a proposal for their chairman.

E.Ludvigsen, Norway suggested the matter of establishment Commission No.6 to be further discussed.

H. Vosen said that matters on which decisions were not taken now to be further discussed on the next meetings.

Prof. Z.Kowalczyk suggested the establishment of another commission No.7 on applying the geophysics at resolving mine surveying problems. This matter to be considered on some of the next meetings.

As a result of the discussions were taken the following decisions :

1. As a Chairman of Commission No.2 is approved Mr. H. Palm, FRG.
2. A letter of grateful acknowledgement to be sent to Dr. Czubik for his good work as a Chairman of Commission No.3.
3. After a preliminary consideration Commission No.4 to come forward with a proposal for a new Chairman.
4. The establishment of Commissions Nos. 6 and 7 to be considered on some of the next meetings.

Item 7 of the Agenda :

K. Georgiev submitted the following information for sponsoring national mine surveying events and other related in topics:

- Every year such a conference in Hungary;
- Every year a conference in Finland;
- A Conference on Rock mechanics in August 1983 in Sweden;
- In June 1983 in Sofia, Bulgaria the 17th Congress of the International Federation of Geodesists (FIG) and an international exhibition of geodesic equipment.

Prof. K. Neset informed that national conferences on mine surveying would be held in 1983 and 1985 in Ostrawa (CSSR).

In 1984 in India will be held the 12th World Mining Congress.

Prof. F. Hart informed that in the spring of 1983 in Washington will be held a Session of the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping (ACSM).

Prof. A. Chrzenowski informed that in 1985 in Canada will be held a national symposium on mine surveying. The next one will be in Victoria, British Columbia.

H. Vosen said that in FRG every two years were carried out mine surveying conferences. The next conference will be in September, 1983 in Klaustal.

J. Weeks noticed that in Graz (Austria) from 27th - 29th October, 1982 would be held a meeting of the commissions with the Organizing Committee of FIG. He will attend this meeting as a representative of ISM Praesidium.

Item 8 of the Agenda :

On basis of ISM Statute the Management of the Organization for the period 1983 - 1986 will be as follows :

- President : J. Weeks, Great Britain
- Vice-Presidents : G. Beschasnyy (USSR) and K. Georgiev (Bulgaria)

The next meetings of the Praesidium will be held as follows :

- 9th Meeting : from 14th - 18th June, 1983 in FRG;
- 10th Meeting: in 1984 in Ostrawa, CSSR;
- 11th Meeting: in 1984 in Great Britain;

Prof. A. Chrzanowski suggested the time of the next meetings to coincide or to be close to any big event with relevant topic held so the members from overseas to be not embarrassed to come. He proposed the next Sitting to be right before or after the Congress of FIG.

O. Gregory informed that the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) would be very pleased to meet a great number of participants on the 6th Symposium of ISM, that will be held from 9th - 13th September, 1985 in Harrogate, Yorkshire. In the town was constructed a new conference centre linked to a large exhibition hall and banqueting centre. It will be organized too an International Exhibition of surveying equipment.

A suggestion was made on the 9th Praesidium meeting the colleagues from the USSR to determine the time and place for holding the 7th Symposium.

All suggestions were accepted unanimously.

Item 9 of the Agenda :

Ma Vei-min, China presented for a first time on a meeting of the Praesidium of ISM and in that connection he expressed his satisfaction. He cordially welcomed the Praesidium members and the delegates on the Symposium on behalf of the Chinese Institute of Coal Industry and the Mine Surveying Organization and expressed best wishes for big success in future work.

K.Georgiev informed that Dr. Omelchenko, Director of the Institute VNIMI, USSR with many years of service would be 75 on the 30th October, 1982. He proposed to be sent a message of congratulation to him.

V. Strashilov proposed to be sent a congratulation card to Mr. Kangas with best wishes for good health and long life signed by all members of the Praesidium.

Prof. Z.Kowalczyk informed that Prof. Tarci Hornoh is in poor health and suggested to be sent a cable to him with best wishes for soon recovery.

All proposals were acclaimed and accepted unanimously.

Then the Agenda of the meeting was exhausted.

The President K.Georgiev thanked to all participants for their businesslike manner at taking decisions as well as for the friendly atmosphere during the meeting.

The present Minutes are made in Russian. The translations in German and English are made additionally and the copies sent to all Praesidium members and to representatives of countries interested in ISM.

Varna, 24th September, 1982