

## Minutes from the third IADPPNW Executive Committee Meeting in Prague 7-9 November 1989

Present: see attached list

### 1. Opening of meeting

Co-chairman *Papachristou* opened the meeting, welcomed everybody and presented the proposed agenda.

### 2. Election of functionaries of the meeting

It was **decided** to elect *Papachristou* and *Kudravnsev* as chairmen, and *Johansson* and *Vestbro* as secretaries of the meeting. It was **agreed** that the minutes of the meeting should be approved by Secretary *Thiberg* and the Co-chairmen.

### 3. Approval of agenda

It was **decided** to approve the proposed agenda with some changes of order of items.

### 4. Minutes from EC meeting in Stockholm

It was **decided** to approve the minutes from the EC meeting in Stockholm in July 1988.

### 5. Reports from the Co-chairmen and EC members

This point of the agenda was covered on November 7 at an open session of IADPPNW, attended by about 80 participants in the *Prague International Assembly*.

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The following persons reported to the meeting:

a. **Tician Papachristou**, USA, who thanked the organizers of the *Prague International Assembly* for providing the opportunity of the open session of IADPPNW and explained the goals and development of IADPPNW. Furthermore he explained proposed changes to the Charter and recommended that IADPPNW expand its membership to include individuals and organizations in related fields such as engineering, construction and real estate development. Finally, he stressed the importance of expanding the IADPPNW membership and offered that IADPPNW include in its programs conclusions and decisions reached by the conference.

b. **Alexandr Kudravnsev** (stand in for *Yuri Platonov*), USSR, who conveyed greetings from *Yuri Platonov*; referred to the encouraging development since the Stockholm meeting in July 1988; and reminded us of the tasks ahead of us within the IADPPNW.

c. **Rueben Musyoka Mutiso**, Kenya, who reminded us of the lack of peace, adequate shelter and environmental balance in Africa, a situation to which the West has contributed.

d. **Kate Macintosh**, UK, who pointed out that the Thatcher government is the only one to believe that nuclear arms are needed forever; regretted the reversal of the Labour Party commitment to unilateral disarmament; and informed about activities of Architects for Peace, which now also includes ecological issues.

e. **Björn Klarqvist**, Sweden, who informed us of a move by Swedish industrial corporations to reverse the earlier decision to terminate the use of nuclear power by the year 2010; of the exposure by the Swedish peace movement of several cases of illegal export of Swedish arms to countries involved in wars; and who gave examples of activities carried out by the *Swedish Architects against Nuclear Arms, for Peace and Disarmament*.

f. **Benabdeljalil Abdelmoumen**, Morocco, who reminded us of the need for peace, especially in the third world; pointed to the example of a possible peaceful solution of the conflict around former Spanish Sahara; and who informed us of the formation of a professional union for the countries of Mahgreb, Libya and Mauretania.

g. **Witold Tumenas**, Poland, who referred to the big changes taking place in the Polish political system, permitting, for instance, protests against military service.

h. **Tony Watkins**, New Zealand, who emphasized the important role of the architect; informed about

the various activities of the NZ peace and environment movements, including protests against plans to colonize Antarctica, and against plans to build nuclear power plants in NZ.

i. **Akio Hayashi**, Japan, who informed about the change of name of the *Japanese Architects for Peace and the Environment*, and about the unwillingness of the Japanese architects to engage themselves for peace and the environment.

j. **Rose Marie Rabin**, USA, who informed us of the many successful activities of the *Architects Designers Planners for Social Responsibility* and its cooperation with other professional organizations.

After these reports there was a short time for discussion, to which eight speakers contributed.

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## 6. Report from the IADPPNW Secretariat

*Thiberg* reported about the activities of the Secretariat since the Stockholm meeting in July 1988, including the financial situation of the Secretariat. The *Prague Assembly* has emptied the funds, which means that there are no means to finance the meeting in Montreal, unless new sources of finance are found.

It was **concluded** that a minimum budget would have to be made for the Montreal meeting, and that EC members should try to become official delegates of their national associations, or otherwise find sources to finance their participation in the Montreal meeting. **Macintosh** agreed to prepare a budget for Montreal before the end of the year.

## 7. Recruitment, membership and fund raising

*Macintosh* informed about the measures she had taken as a Treasurer to recruit new members. *Vestbro* informed about the measures taken by the Secretariat. *Thiberg* proposed that a letter be sent again to all UIA members inviting them to become members of IADPPNW and including an invoice of the stipulated membership fee, with a possibility to add an extra contribution. It was **decided** according to *Thiberg's* proposal.

*Macintosh* explained her difficulty in carrying out an auction in London. *Hayashi* proposed the holding of an auction in Japan of drawings by well-known architects. Other proposals included the possibility of applying for funds from the *Phyllis Lambert Architectural Center* in Canada; the selling of paintings by artists sympathetic to our cause, and the selling of post-cards with pictures from the Soviet constructivists of the 1920's.

It was **agreed** that every EC member should submit concretized ideas for fund raising *within a month*. In addition members specifically **agreed** to the following:

- **Hayashi, Macintosh, Rabin** will try to organize architects' drawing auction;
- **Morgan** will explore funds from Phyllis Lambert Architectural Center;
- **Watkins** likewise for a sale by New Zealand artists;
- **Kudriavtsev** for the sale of reproductions of constructivist art.

**Hardship clause:** At the EC meeting in July 1988 it was decided about a hardship clause, but the conditions for exemptions were not specified, neither who is to take such a decision. It was **agreed** that no exemptions would be accepted below a fee of USD 50, if no very specific reasons could be presented, and that the Secretariat should contact the Co-chairmen in such cases.

The question of membership fee for other than UIA members was discussed. One such organization, *The Society of Soviet Designers*, applied for membership through its Vice-President *Irina Andreeva*. It was **decided** that other organisations be recommended to pay the same fee as UIA members.

The question of competing organisations within the same professional corps in the same country was discussed. It was **decided** that the Secretariat would investigate the question before any decisions be taken.

**Membership certificate:** At the request of the *Bund Architekten der Deutschen Demokratischen Republik* the Secretariat had worked out a proposal for membership certificate. It was **decided** that the Secretariat be commissioned to solve this problem in the simplest possible way.

## 8. Revision of Charter

Proposals for changes by *Papachristou* and comments by the Secretariat had been distributed to the EC members. *Papachristou* reminded the EC that it cannot take a final decision, but that it may recommend the Council to take such a decision. *Kudriavtsev* and others objected to the proposed formulation in Article II "to support avenues for non-violent resolution of conflict *within and among nations*". After discussions it was **decided** to recommend the Council to accept the proposed changes of Preamble, and articles I, II and III, except for the quoted sentence, which was to be terminated after

the word "conflict".

*Thiberg* presented the comments by the Secretariat on the Structure of IADPPNW (Article IV). After discussion it was **decided** that the Secretariat invite members to give their written comments to this question before the 1st of February 1990; and that the Secretariat in contact with the Co-chairmen work out a proposal to be sent out in time for the Montreal meeting.

## 9. New name of the organization

*Papachristou* started the discussion by bringing up the question of including other professions than architects, designers and planners, the answer of which may affect the new name. After discussion it was **decided** that the name should continue to specify the professions architects, designers and planners.

The following new names were proposed in the discussion:

- IDP, International Designers for Peace
- BET, Building Environment Together
- ADPICS, Architects Designers Planners for International Common Security
- WEDCOF, World Environment Designers Concerned with Our Future
- WEDSR, World Environment Designers for Social Responsibility
- WADPSR, World Architects Designers Planners for Social Responsibility
- IEDCF, International Environment Designers Concerned with the Future
- ITA, International Tectonic Alliance
- DDI, Disarmament Development International
- IDEA, International Designers for the Environment Association
- IDDEA, International Disarmament Development Environment Association
- DDP, Disarmament Development for Peace
- PPSR, Physical Planners for Social Responsibility
- ADPDD, Architects Designers Planners for Disarmament and Development
- PED, Peace Environment Development
- DEP, Development Environment Peace, or Development Environment through Peace

After comprehensive discussions it was **decided** that "*Architects Designers Planners for Social Responsibility*" should be included in the name, either in the main name or as a subtitle. Several participants expressed support for having the words "Disarmament" and "Environment" in the main name.

## 10. Nominations for Council, EC and Secretariat

The elections at the Montreal meeting have to be prepared. According to the Charter there can be only one Council member per country. It was **decided** that the Secretariat send out letters to the member organisations asking them to nominate Council delegates no later than 1st of March.

The questions of a special **nomination committee** was raised. It was **decided** to bring the issue to the Council for possible consideration for the next 3 year period.

The question of **terms of office** was discussed. In the Charter such terms are mentioned only for administrative officials (Executive Director, a post which does not exist), but not for other functions. The EC **accepted** *Thiberg's* suggestion to have the Secretariat request the extension of the terms of office of all EC members for another 3 years.

It was discussed whether the posts of Co-chairmen, Vice-chairmen, Treasurer and Secretary have to be specified in the Charter, or whether these posts, except for the Chairman, can be elected within the EC. It was **concluded** that, as long as the old Charter is valid, elections should be prepared according to these rules.

*Thiberg* brought up the question of the **seat of the Secretariat** during the next period, and asked whether anyone is prepared to take over the Secretariat function from the time of the Montreal meeting. The EC meeting **expressed** its satisfaction with the work of the Stockholm-based Secretariat and **requested** it to consider its possibilities to continue for another period.

## 11. Board of Sponsors/International Advisory Board

*Papachristou* reminded the EC that he got no replies to a letter sent out about this question during the year. The opinion was **expressed** that names of internationally well-known architects, designers and planners, fairly distributed over the continents, are required to be used as sponsors of IADPPNW. It was **decided** that all EC members send their proposals to the Secretariat as soon as possible, and that the Secretariat in cooperation with the Co-chairmen prepare a proposal to be taken by the Montreal meeting.

## 12. IADPPNW at the UIA Congress in May 1990

Preparations for the IADPPNW Council and EC meetings in May 1990 have been made through

decisions under points 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

The question of a well-known speaker for the IADPPNW part of the Congress was discussed. It was **decided** to leave this point for consideration through correspondence.

### **13. Future activities**

It was proposed that the EC study potential programs for each of the three goals of IADPPNW (disarmament, environment, development), with particular attention to the feasibility of such efforts (i.e. the capability of IADPPNW to embark on such projects). It was **decided** that each EC member submit proposals for such action to the Secretariat by March 1, 1990, together with supporting financial and other information.

### **14. Information material, newsletters, brochure**

### **15. Budget for 1990 and connected fund-raising activities**

(this item was covered to a large extent under item 7)

### **16. Any other business**

These points of the agenda were **tabled** for lack of time.

### **17. Closing of meeting**

The Co-chairmen thanked the EC members and closed the meeting.

Secretaries of the meeting

*Rolf Johansson*

*Dick Urban Vestbro*

Approval of minutes

*Sven Thiberg*

*Tician Papachristou*

*Alexandr Kudriavtsev*

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## **List of participants in the IADPPNW EC meeting in Prague 7-9 November 1989**

### ***Members of the EC***

Tician Papachristou, USA  
Alexandr Kudriavtsev, USSR (replacing Yuri Platonov)  
Sven Thiberg, Sweden  
Rueben M Mutiso, Kenya  
Witold Thumenas, Poland  
Abdelmoumen Benabdeljalil, Morocco  
Akio Hayashi, Japan  
Tony Watkins, New Zealand  
Kate Macintosh, UK

### ***Other participants***

Irina Andreeva, USSR  
Andrey Bokov, USSR  
Fujico Nozawa, Japan  
Jim Morgan, USA  
Rose Marie Rabin, USA

### ***From the Secretariat***

Alice Thiberg  
Rolf Johansson  
Dick Urban Vestbro

## **International Architects Designers Planners for the Prevention of Nuclear War**

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### **Proposed agenda for the IADPPNW Executive Committee meeting in Prague 8th November 1989**

1. Opening of meeting
2. Election of chairmen, secretaries and other functionaries of the meeting
3. Adjustment of the agenda (Doc EC 89/1)
4. EC Meeting in Stockholm; discussion and approval of minutes
5. Reports from the Co-Chairmen and EC members
6. Report from the Secretariat on activities and financial situation (Doc EC 89/2)
7. Recruitment and membership questions
  - How to recruit more members
  - Membership fees and collection (Treasurer's report)
  - Hardship clause
  - Membership certificate (Doc EC 89/3)
8. New name of organization\*
9. Board of sponsors/International Advisory Board
10. Revision of Charter (Doc EC 89/4 and Doc EC 89/5)\*\*
11. IADPPNW at UIA Congress, May 1990\*
12. Future activities in the three areas of interest:
  - Disarmament
  - Environment
  - Responsible Development
13. Information material, newsletters, brochure
14. Budget for 1990 and connected activities such as fund raising, auctions etc
15. Nominations for EC and election of Secretariat from UIA Congress 1990
16. Any other business
17. Closing of meeting

\* See Newsletter 89/2

\*\* Proposal by Tician Papachristou and comments by the Secretariat