

# Minutes from the 4th IADPPNW/ARC • PEACE Executive Committee Meeting in Montréal, May 28-30th 1990

Participants: see attached list

## 1. Opening of the meeting

Co-chairman Papachristou opened the meeting, welcomed everyone and presented the agenda.

## 2. Election of functionaries of the meeting

Mr Papachristou and Mr Platonov were elected chairmen and Mr Heymowski and Mr Johansson secretaries of the meeting. It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting should be approved by Mr Thiberg and the Co-chairmen.

## 3. Adjustment of the agenda

It was decided to approve the proposed agenda after postponing point 5, reports from the Co-chairmen and EC-members, until Thursday May 31st.

## 4. EC-Meeting in Prague, approval of minutes

It was decided to approve the minutes from the EC meeting in Prague, November, 1989.

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

These reports were postponed until Thursday 31st (to be reported separately).

## 6. Report from the Secretariat on activities and financial situation

Mr Thiberg introduced the members of the Secretariat of IADPPNW. He also quoted the Swedish International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) yearbook 1990, showing that the arms race by no means has come to an end. Old weapons in the industrialized world are replaced and new weapon systems are introduced in the third world. Therefore, there is still much to be done by organizations such as ours, Mr Thiberg concluded.

Concerning the finances of IADPPNW there is reason to be alarmed, Mr Thiberg said. Letters to all member organizations of UIA have so far resulted in only 4 to 5 paying members in 1990. Most fund-raising activities have proved unsuccessful. The main source of funds is the Swedish State Peace Lottery. Mr Thiberg submitted the economic report of the Secretariat (attached). (See also point 12 below).

Concerning the status of the IADPPNW Council the Secretariat expressed doubt about the need for it. It was stated that no one has been nominated to the Council by any national organization.

Concerning information activities the Secretariat has produced newsletter 1/90 and the proceedings from the Prague International Assembly.

## 7, 8. Revision of Charter and future of IADPPNW

Mr Papachristou suggested that points 7 and 8 (debate on the future of IADPPNW and revision of Charter) be handled as one point. It was decided accordingly. The starting point of the discussion was the proposed charter text presented at the Prague meeting.

Article I: Mr Papachristou read the proposed text, implying a broadening of our platform to include questions of development and protection of the natural and built environments. It was decided by consensus to adopt the new text.

Article II, item 2: New text was adopted by consensus. Mr Platonov suggested Habitat be mentioned as an example of an organization for IADPPNW to cooperate with.

Article III: New text was adopted by consensus.

Article IV, items 2 and 4: After a discussion concerning the two superpowers USSR and USA it was accepted that representatives of these two nations in the future should be members of the Executive Committee, but not necessarily chairmen.

Article IV, item 5: Mr Thiberg moved that mention of an Executive Director be deleted from the text, since the organization does not have and does not intend to have an Executive Director. It was decided according to Thiberg's proposal.

Article V: In consequence of decision under Article IV, item 5 (above), the mentioning of the Executive Director was deleted.

Article VI: New text was adopted by consensus.

**Name:** After a long and creative discussion, it was decided by consensus that IADPPNW's new name will be **ARC•PEACE**, with the subtitle *International Architects Designers Planners for Social Responsibility*. It was decided that the Secretariat should produce a new letterhead as soon as possible and that the question of a logotype should be settled through a contest among young architects, designers and planners in the USSR. The result is to be presented in connection with UIA's Council in Chicago 1993.

## 9. Recruitment of members etc.

It was stated that the new goals, mentioned in our charter, and the new name of our organization should aid member recruitment. It was decided that the Co-chairmen and the Secretariat should send a new letter of invitation to all UIA members and that efforts be made during the congress to approach presumptive members personally.

**Board of Sponsors/International Advisory Board:** Lists of names have been forwarded by Ms Macintosh and by Mr Platonov. It was decided that everybody should try to add to these lists, in order to get as many names as possible to choose from. The Co-chairmen will then edit the final list and the Secretariat will write a letter, to be signed by the Co-chairmen, to the persons on the list.

## 10. Future activities

a) **UN Environment and Development Conference:** Mr Morgan, presented the programme of the planned conference. It is to be held in Brasilia in June 1992. The agenda of the Conference will deal with two main questions; development (20 items including housing for the homeless) and environment (7 items). After a fruitful discussion it was unanimously decided that ARC•PEACE should try to take part in the UN Conference. Mr Morgan was appointed project-leader for activities connected with the Conference. His work should be carried out in contact with the Secretariat. From the Soviet Union Mr Voskressensky will take part in the preparation activities. The first step will be to approach the UN and learn on what conditions ARC•PEACE could participate. Mr Morgan has worked out a preliminary schedule for the preparatory activities (attached). It was stated that we must pick the items relevant to our profession and elaborate on them. This could be done by means of reports from our various member countries. Those reports, and the discussion initiated by them, should be our professional input into the conference. It was decided that by September 1990 there must be a definite schedule and a budget for the project. At that time, the decision of whether to continue or not should be taken.

b) **Other activities:** Input into the so called Montréal Declaration, which was to be adopted by the UIA Council, was discussed under this point. Various paths of action were considered: to rewrite the entire declaration; to add some of our points to the existing declaration; or to make a declaration of our own. It was decided to first try to enter our wording into the Declaration and, should this fail, to write a separate declaration. It was decided that Mr Bhalla should represent ARC•PEACE in the drafting committee.

## 11. Information activities

The question of spreading knowledge in general about ARC•PEACE was discussed. It was stated that publication of articles is useful, for which purpose a list of suitable magazines from our member countries is required. Ms Rabin volunteered to edit such a list.

**Brochure:** Waiting for the new charter and name of organization, no information brochure has been produced. The ADPSR volunteered to make a brochure, a proposal of which should be distributed during the summer. After approval it will be translated into Russian via Mr Platonov, into French via Ms Côté, and into Spanish via Mr Margenet.

Mr Papachristou offered to write a more elaborate description of our organization, to be distributed along with the minutes from the meeting. He expects comments before September.

Mr Thiberg reminded the EC members that the Charter should be translated into the ARC•PEACE languages. It was decided that this should be arranged by the persons mentioned above within two months after receiving the English version to be sent out by the Secretariat.

## 12. Budget and connected activities

The economic report of the Secretariat (see point 6 above) was approved. Mr Thiberg pointed out that the financial situation suggests that there is little use in having a budget. At the 1988 meeting an annual budget of 46 000 USD was decided. So far we have spent some 7 000 USD per annum, Thiberg pointed out. Mr Papachristou said a budget could direct our fundraising efforts. No decision was

taken on the issue.

**Membership fees:** It was pointed out that not only organizations but also individuals are welcome as members. The argument was raised that a minimum of 50 USD is a substantial sum for individuals and even for some organizations. Mr Thiberg explained that smaller sums cost more to handle than the revenue they give to our organization. It was decided to keep the membership fee at 3 % of the UIA fee, with a minimum of 50 USD.

**Fund-raising:** Many suggestions were discussed. It was stated that wealthy countries such as USA, Japan or West Germany should contribute more. Decisions were taken on the following projects:

- a) Auction of works by Soviet architects/painters in the US.
- b) Auction of architects' drawings in Japan.
- c) Auction of paintings in New Zealand.
- d) A series of activities in the Soviet Union in order to raise funds for ARC•PEACE. Activities suggested were the publication and selling of an ARC•PEACE-calendar by November 1990; the arrangement of international seminars concerning ecology, and to gather the above mentioned works of art for the auction. The USSR members will present a schedule for the above activities.

### **13. Nomination and election of EC members and Secretariat**

After discussion, Ms Rabin proposed that all sitting EC members be elected to serve a second three-year period. She also moved that the Swedish Secretariat be commended for its work so far. Her motions were endorsed by acclamation. Mr Thiberg said that the Secretariat (not the Secretary himself) can only commit itself for another year at present, and that the question of the location of the Secretariat, therefore, must be discussed again next year. This was accepted by the meeting.

### **14. Next EC-meeting**

It was decided that the next EC meeting should be held at the end of August 1991. Three proposals were made about the place: 1. Pacific region (New Zealand or Japan); 2. Soviet Union, in connection with one of the seminars mentioned in point 12, item d above. 3. Santiago del Estero, Argentina. No decision was taken about the place.

### **15. Any other business**

Mr Thiberg presented an "activity list" (attached), containing all activities decided by this meeting and the persons responsible for each activity. The list was accepted by the meeting and the individuals mentioned in it.

### **16. Closing of the meeting**

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

Secretaries of the meeting

Andreas Heymowski

Rolf Johansson

Approval of minutes

Sven Thiberg

Tician Papachristou

Yuri Platonov

Note: ARC•PEACE's meeting on Thursday, May 31st will be reported on in the next Newsletter.

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**List of participants in the IADPPNW/ARC • PEACE EC meeting in  
Montréal, May 28-30st 1990**

*Members of the EC*

Tician Papachristou, USA

Yuri Platonov, USSR

Sven Thiberg, Sweden

Jai Bhalla, India

Akio Hayashi, Japan

Alexandr Kudriavtsev, USSR

Oscar Margenet, Argentina

Ruben M. Mutiso, Kenya

Tony Watkins, New Zealand

*From the Secretariat*

Anna de Laval, Sweden

Andreas Heymowski, Sweden

Rolf Johansson, Sweden

*Other participants*

Monique Côté, Canada

Eric De Varis, USA

Jeanette De Varis, USA

Jim Morgan, USA

Rose Marie Rabin, USA

Igor Voskressensky, USSR