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FOURTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1 JUNE 1996

Present:

BOAINAIN-SCHNEIDER Alice
FALATAKIS-MULLER Claudette
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MATTISON Avon

MAULER Jean-Marie
SCHNEIDER Rudolf
TSASA-TSASA

Excused:

BESSIERE Louis
CHRISTOPHE Claude
CURRY Sally

RASOAMAKA Andrianarivo
RANDRIAMAMONJY Jean Richard

Chairman: Rudolf Schneider **Secretary:** Alice Boainain-Schneider

Rudolf Schneider welcomed the participants and opened the General Assembly. He then presented his general report on the 14th and 15th years of activities of the Institute: its main points are summarized in the enclosed report. Alice Boainain-Schneider then presented the financial balance sheet for 1995, and the auditor's report. Brigitta Andermatt did us once again the favour this year of auditing our accounts in great detail, for which we sincerely thank her! The balance sheet was then approved,

The next point in the agenda was the election of the Executive and Consultative Committees for the next 3 years. The present Executive Committee proposed to keep the same membership in both Committees, with a few modifications. Dr. Pasini and his wife, Luisa Pasini, are proposed to become third and fourth assessors in the Executive Committee, because of their active participation in the work of the Institute. Kriystina Ming, Martha Miranda and Katherine Svetova, until now in the Consultative Committee, have not given any news for at least one year, and attempts to reach them were unsuccessful. We proposed therefore to replace them by Sergei Fedorov, President of IPS-Moscow, Yuri Kurnosov, Secretary-General of IPS Moscow, and Albert Mananga Masunda, President of IPS-Zaire. In this way, all IPS branches are represented in the Executive and Consultative Committees.

These proposals were accepted by the Assembly, provided that the 3 new members accept their nomination. They will be contacted by the Executive Committee for that purpose.

During the group discussion on the report of the Secretary-General and financial report, a few questions were raised. Jean-Marie Mauler asked if the compilations of the Tibetan Master produced by the IPS are really on demand. In some countries, they are very appreciated, especially in Africa and Latin America, where the books of the Tibetan are not so easily available. They represent an easy introduction to the study of the Tibetan. Jean-Marie Mauler proposed that we produce some booklets using certain chapters of the books of the Tibetan which in themselves offer a complete and concise description of certain questions, such as meditation, initiation, the soul, etc. We agreed with his proposal, and he agreed to select the required chapters.

Another question was asked concerning financing. The IPS is entirely financed by donations. There are a few major donors, mainly members of the Executive Committee itself, and many small donations. All IPS publications and services are offered free of charge, but with every parcel of publications goes a letter indicating total printing and mailing costs and inviting the beneficiary according to his or her possibilities. Most people in Europe and the US contribute at least up to

the indicated costs. In Africa, Latin America and Eastern Europe, however, most people cannot afford to contribute. Some currencies are so weak that when converted into Swiss francs the donated amounts become negligible. We often propose therefore that people in these countries send their donations to IPS branches in their own countries, where the money may be more profitably used.

Besides the plans mentioned in the Secretary-General report, plans for the next three years include one 3-week trip to India in August 1996, to participate in the 70th birthday celebrations of Dr. E. Krishnamacharya and to inaugurate an IPS branch in Visakhapatnam; one trip to South America in July-August 1997 to meet groups and co-workers in Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia, and maybe also Ecuador and Peru; and in 1998 a trip to Africa. Besides the creation of an IPS branch in India, IPS branches are being set up in Bolivia and maybe in Madagascar.

After lunch, we resumed with the meditation for planetary synthesis and then asked Tsasa-Tsasa, from the 'Centre Zairois de promotion des droits de l'enfant et de la femme', to speak about his work and the project for which he has asked some financial support from the Maitreya Project.

The 'Centre Zairois de promotion des droits de l'enfant et de la femme' was founded in 1989 to promote the convention on the rights of the child in Zaire. The Centre organises seminars and distributes a book written by UNICED, WHO and UNESCO, 'Savoir pour Sauver', to reach health workers and all those who work with women and children. The Centre is directed by an administrative council whose members come from various religions and by a management committee with several sections that deal with information, training, research, cooperation. The sections are headed by both men and women. The Centre maintains an education centre for poor children and orphans of AIDS victims. The Centre cooperates with UNICEF, the Ministry for Youth, the Belgium Consulate and World Goodwill. Since 1989, Tsasa-Tsasa has been working closely together with Albert Mananga Masunda, now President of IPS-Zaire, and with IPS Geneva. During the seminars organized by the Centre, Tsasa-Tsasa deals with the academic and scientific part, and Albert Mananga explains the spiritual teachings of the Masters. Albert Mananga is very active, organizing conferences and exhibitions of IPS publications, for example in 1995 during a National Conference on Education in Zaire, to which Federico Mayor, Director of UNESCO, was invited. A personal contact was then possible with Mayor, who was given a copy of one of IPS booklets.

Both Albert Mananga and Tsasa-Tasa have applied for help from the Maitreya Project. Albert Mananga wants to organize a series of conferences on World Goodwill and distribute copies of the Great Invocation during those conferences. Tsasa-Tsasa wants to organize a series of conferences on the rights of the child, and at the same time convey the teachings of the Masters and work to find people of goodwill and members of the New Group for World Servers, not only in Zaire, but also in other French-speaking countries of Central Africa. Jean-Marie Mauler then advised him to be always open about their intentions and be open to all spiritual traditions, to avoid being accused of wanting to manipulate people and enroll them in a secret society. Tsasa-Tsasa said this danger was avoided by his cooperation with Albert Mananga, who will openly represent the IPS-Zaire, an officially recognised association in their country and who understands quite well the spirit of synthesis at the basis of our work.

Besides these two requests for help from the Maitreya Project, one request was received from Sergei Arutyunov, who is in charge of the translation and publication of the books of Master Djwhal Khul into Russian, on behalf of the Lucis Trust. He has asked for US\$ 5.000, to speed up their work.

The members of the Executive Committee present at the Assembly decided to give a positive answer to all 3 requests. Albert Mananga Masunda will receive 2000 Swiss francs and 1500 copies of the Great Invocation donated by the Italian branch of IPS for his project, Tsasa-Tsasa will receive US\$ 3000 and Sergei Arutyunov US\$ 5000. The funds available at the Maitreya Project account are sufficient for that purpose. Nothing much will be left, but if the hierarchical means are thus helped, the money is rightly employed. All beneficiaries were asked to report on the use of the money they received, and their reports will be published in the IPS newsletter.

We then asked Avon Mattison, from Pathways to Peace, to describe their work. In short, they consult for new groups of world servers, helping them to be more clearly aligned with their purpose, to cooperate with each other and to develop practical plans of action. Their work is entirely done on a voluntary basis. They work together with the U.N. and have launched a UN PeaceMessenger Initiative called "We the Peoples..." They use a chart with 8 paths to peace:

science, environment, religion, law, habitat, education, business and culture, similar to the IPS poster on the 10 seed-groups. They promote the international day of peace and seek to underline the spiritual basis of the Charter and other UN documents. She would be very interested to work together with the IPS and the 10 seed-group structure.

We concluded the General Assembly with the Gemini Full Moon meditation.