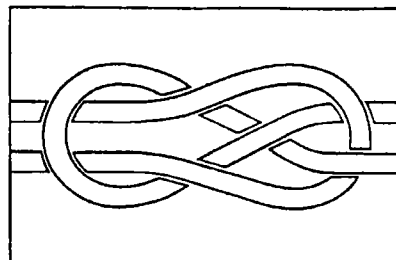

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FIAV MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE BY JANUARY 22, 2001

Any vexillological association or institution that wishes to be considered for FIAV membership in 2001 at the Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly must submit an application to the FIAV Board by mailing the application to the Secretary-General, Charles Spain. To be considered timely, the Secretary-General must receive the application on or before January 22, 2001.

The application consists of a letter that explains how the association or institution meets the membership requirements set forth in articles 2, 3, 6, and 7 of the FIAV Constitution (see pages 46 and 47) and any attachments the association or institute believes will assist the Board in making its recommendation to the General Assembly. In its application, the association or institute should state whether it wishes to be considered for Full or Associate membership.

The Board strongly encourages all current FIAV Members to spread the word to all potential applicants. All three Board Members will be pleased to answer questions and help in any way they can.

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NOMINATIONS FOR THE VEXILLON AWARD AND LAUREATES OF THE FEDERATION

The Board encourages any FIAV Member or other person to nominate individuals for the Vexillon Award and the title "Laureate of the Federation." Nominations should be sent to the Secretary-General and should include a detailed explanation of the nominee's accomplishments. The Board would appreciate receiving any such nominations on or before April 1, 2001.

At the suggestion of the Flag Society of Australia, FIAV established the Vexillon Award in 1989 to recognize the person or persons who have made the most important contribution to vexillology during the two years preceding the International Congress of Vexillology. Since 1989, the Flag Society of Australia has graciously provided the plaque for the Vexillon, and the FIAV Board has selected the recipient of the Vexillon.

The FIAV Constitution allows the General Assembly to name as "Laureates of the Federation" persons who have made outstanding contributions to vexillology. Beginning in 1991, the General Assembly has delegated this power to the Board. Only four people have been named Laureates to date: E.M.C. Barraclough (1983), Whitney Smith (1991), Otfried Neubecker (1999), and William G. Crampton (1999).



On September 3, 1999, FIAV President Michel Lupant (standing, left) and Jifí Tenora visited the Colombo home of Kumaran Fernando (standing, right), chairman of the Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka. Photograph courtesy of Jifí Tenora.

FIAV PRESIDENT VISITS SRI LANKA

Michel Lupant, FIAV President writes about his post-ICV 18 experiences:

After the Congress in Victoria, Jifí Tenora and I traveled around the world, visiting Hawaii, Fiji, Samoa, American Samoa, New Zealand, Australia, Bali, Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, and the United Arab Emirates. We discovered the wonderful landscape of each country and met with vexillologists who organized meetings with local authorities, helping us discover a lot of unknown flags. The trip was great, but on the last day I was arrested in Abu Dhabi because I had photographed the police badge that was mounted on a wall!

In Sri Lanka, we met with Kumaran Fernando, the chairman of the Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka (FRCSL). I have exchanged letters and material with the FRCSL since the beginning of the 1980s, and I wanted to meet Kumaran during my trip around the world. My friend Glen Hodgings, a Canadian diplomat working at that time in Colombo, organized a meeting between Kumaran, Jifí, and me in Kumaran's home. I had a good exchange with Kumaran about the FRCSL and the development of vexillology in Sri Lanka.

M. Lupant

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CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP

On November 22, 1999, the Secretary-General received the following membership application:

Warsaw, 12 November 1999

To the Board of FIAV,
Michel Lupant, President,
Charles Spain, Secretary-General,
Graham Bartram, Secretary-General for Congresses

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

Hereby the Instytut Heraldyczno-Weksylologiczny (Institute of Heraldry and Vexillology) applies for the membership in the International Federation of Vexillological Associations. The basis data are as follows:

Type: institution
Director and Chief Artist: Alfred Znamierowski
Secretary: Beata Gierblińska
Scientific advisors: dr Marek Adamczewski, dr Wojciech Strzyżewski
Researcher: Włodzimierz Chorążki
Artists: Piotr Dąbrowski, Marek Kreusch
Telephone: (48 22) 793-05-10
Fax: (48 22) 793-80-12
Established: 1 September 1997
Territory: Poland
Periodical Publications: *Flagi miast polskich* (Flags of Polish Cities). Bimonthly in colour. The first issue will be published on 1 January 2000.

The main activities of the Instytut Heraldyczno-Weksylologiczny:

1. Research of origin and development of all Polish flags.
2. Maintaining and expanding of the central archive of flags of Polish, districts, powiats and provinces.
3. Designing of flags and coats of arms for Polish powiats and districts.

I would like to state that also the Flag Design Center is still active, especially in the field of flag artwork and research. Owing to efforts of some renown vexillologists from Italy, Germany and France it will become in year 2000 an international vexillological institution with its own page in Internet and publishing vexillological journal in English, German, French, Spanish and Italian (with summaries in English).

Sincerely

/s/ Alfred
Alfred Znamierowski
Director of IHW

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Established: 1997 Sep 1
Territory: Poland
Periodical Publication: *Flagi miast polskich* (Polish; bimonthly since 2000)

On November 2, 2000, the Secretary-General received the following membership application:

Nihon Kishougaku Kyokai
Japanese Vexillological Association
Tsukushino 4-19-7
Machida Tokyo
Japan 194-0001
22 October 2000

Mr. Charles Adkin Spain Jr.
Secretary-General FIAV
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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

The Nihon Kishougaku Kyokai, also known as the Japanese Vexillological Association or JAVA, hereby applies for membership in the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques.

The Japanese Vexillological Association was formed 1 January 2000 in Tokyo, for the purpose of furthering the scientific research into all aspects of Japanese flags, symbols, and history. The Association conforms to the laws of Japan.

We currently have 11 dues paying members and 3 honorary members. We meet every month.

We intend to start building a world-wide website in both Japanese and English on which our members' research and our journal will appear within the next year.

There will be one or two autochthonous member of the Association present at the 19th International Congress of Vexillology in York, England. Someday we would like to host a Congress in Japan.

A copy of the Association's constitution and provisions is attached to this application.

I intend to represent the Association at the General Assembly.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Nozomi Kariyasu
Nozomi Kariyasu
President
Japanese Vexillological Association

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Home Page: <http://www.j-flags-java.org>
Established: 2000 Jan 1
Territory: Japan
Periodical Publication: none

LETTERS

The Secretary-General received the following letter from Władysław Serwatowski immediately before ICV 18:

[July 26, 1999]

Dear Vexillologists and FIAV Executives,

Due to the construction of the new home for the Earth Flag Center in Warsaw, I am unable to attend the XVIII ICV in the Canadian British Columbia capital city, Victoria, from July 28 to August 2, 1999.

I am sharing vexilloemotions with all of you, and I would like to express a tribute to the speakers, Canadian exhibition and workshop organizers, the FIAV Board, and especially the participants in the conference. The participants' contributions will be crucial to its success and will provide many valuable insights.

I would like to inform you that Earth Flag Center has started publishing the papers presented in Warsaw during the XVI ICV in *Weksyli@na*. Unfortunately, I do not have the text of all the lectures in electronic form. The papers appear in their original languages as follows:

Weksyli@na number 2/17/1999:

Krzysztof Braun, "Die Wappensymbolik der Städte Nordmasowiens," pages 1-2
Aleš Brožek, "Search for Ideal Municipal Flags," pages 2-4

Weksyli@na number 3/18/1999:

Paul Dechaix, "La Vexillologie Savoyarde," pages 1-4

Weksyli@na number 4/19/1999:

Frederick G. Brownell, "The National Flag of South Africa: Evolution of the Final Design," pages 1-4
Anibal Gotelli, "Déclaration de Varsovie sur la nécessité de réglementer le protocole et les caractéristiques des drapeaux,"
page 4

Weksyli@na number 5/20/1999:

Anibal Gotelli, "Bases y Propuestas para el Progreso de la Vexilología y la Organización de la Comunidad Vexilológica Internacional," pages 2-7

Weksyli@na numbers 6-7/21-22/1999:

Emil Dreyer, "Military Flags of the Canton of Bern: A Concise History," pages 1-6

You can reach *Weksyli@na* at www.paiz.gov.pl/wserwatowski.

With my best regards,

Władysław Serwatowski

At ICV 18, FIAV posthumously recognized Dr. Otfried Neubecker as a Laureate of the Federation. On November 22, 1999, the Secretary-General received the following letter from Irmgard Neubecker, Dr. Neubecker's widow:

IRMGARD NEUBECKER

Carl-von-Ossietzky-Straße 9
D - 65197 Wiesbaden
Telefon 0611 / 46 38 79

Wiesbaden, 16.11.1999

Mr.
Charles A. Spain, Jr.
Secretary-General

504 Branard Street
Houston, Texas 77006-5018

Sehr geehrter Herr Spain,

die Auszeichnung für meinen Ehemann, Dr. Ottfried Neubecker, habe ich richtig erhalten. Ick danke Ihnen und Ihrer Gesellschaft sehr herzlich. Herr [Klaus] Günther, Wiesbaden, war so freundlich, mir die Auszeichnung zu überbringen.

Sollte Sie mal de Wef nach Wiesbaden führen, so würde es mich sehr freuen, wenn Sie mich besuchen würden.

Mit den besten Grüßen

Ihre

/s/ Irmgard Neubecker

[Translation:

Dear Mr. Spain,

I received the award honoring my husband, Dr. Ottfried Neubecker. I want to express my very cordial thanks to you and your society. Mr. [Klaus] Günther from Wiesbaden had the kindness to deliver the award to me.

If a trip should lead you one day to Wiesbaden, I would be very delighted to welcome you in my home.

Yours truly,

/s/ Irmgard Neubecker]

The following two letters were sent to the Secretary-General in response to a question about the origin of the FIAV officers' flags. See *Info-FIAV* number 12, at page 2 (July 1999). Jos Poels found the flag designs in the papers of the late William Crampton. The first letter is from Emil Dreyer, the immediate past Secretary-General:

[September 11, 1999]

Dear Kin,

In fact the FIAV officers' flag designs were by William Crampton. The first time he used a FIAV president's flag, as far as I know, was in a letter to me on 8 January 1995, where he put a black and white flag beneath his address on the letter head. He later showed me the designs of the other flags, but we never came to the point where we seriously considered proposing the use of these flags to the GA. I liked those flags, they are handsome, but it seemed to me that William was just using his president's flag for fun (at least at the beginning), since he was on one side a thorough, serious vexillologist but on the other hand a very spirited, self-critical man. I was opposed to introduce them officially for two reasons: 1) I considered my job as a FIAV official as an honorary task and had no aims to be "decorated" by whatever special signs (flags, uniforms, money, medals or whatever), and 2) for practical reasons it would be quite expensive to have such flags made (who would pay?), just to be used once every two years, and how to pass them on to the next officer once you're out of office (since you had paid, they would be your property)? Obviously my point of view prevailed and we abandoned to officially propose the use of those flags.

See you in York (unless you come to Switzerland before 2001).

Kind regards,

Emil

The second letter is from Ralph Bartlett, the immediate past Secretary-General for Congresses:

[November 10, 1999]

Dear Kin and Emil,

I hope that you are both well. Just a brief note to let you both know that I, too, became aware of William Crampton's FIAV Board Members' flags in approximately 1995, from William himself. I believe that he designed these flags himself.

Very best wishes,

Ralph

**MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH SESSION OF THE FIAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JULY 29-30, 1999
VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA**

Note: Pursuant to an August 11, 1997 decision of the General Assembly at its Fifteenth Session in Cape Town, South Africa, the General Assembly used *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISBN 0-7710-8336-X) on a trial basis.

Day 1

1. Call to order by President; official opening of the Sixteenth Session The President called the meeting to order on July 29, 1999, at 7:15 p.m. and officially opened the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques.

2. Verification by the President of written credentials of delegates The President verified the written credentials of the following FIAV Members and Candidates:

AVV	Gustav Tracchia
BDA	Peter B. Edwards
CFA	Kevin Harrington
CEBED	Michel R. Lupant
CBFA	Whitney Smith
DGF	Andreas Herzfeld
FDC	Alfred Znamierowski
FI	Graham Bartram
FRC	Whitney Smith
FRCSL	Ralph C. G. Bartlett
FSA	Ralph Kelly
GWAV (candidate)	Peter J. Kinderman
HAVSOM	Adrian Strickland
KVV	Philippe Rault
NFF	Peter J. Orenski
NEVA (candidate)	David B. Martucci
NZFA (formerly FANZ)	John Moody
NF	Michael Krag-Juel-Vind-Frijs
NAVA	David B. Martucci
PH	Gustav Söderlund
PTW	Alfred Znamierowski
SSV	Günter Mattern-Cuendet
SEV	Tomás Rodríguez Peñas
SRV (candidate)	Michel R. Lupant
SFV	Michel R. Lupant

SAVA	Frederick G. Brownell
TWMF	Scot M. Guenter
UHT	Jiří Tenora
USFF	Edward B. Kaye
VK	Jiří Tenora
WWRI	Jiří Tenora
ZI	Gerd Vehres

3. Roll call of delegates; recognition of quorum by Secretary-General; declaration by President that the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly is constituted The Secretary-General called the roll as follows:

Members present: AVV; BDA; CFA; CEBED; CBFA; DGF; FDC; FI; FRC; FRCSL; FSA; HAVSOM; KVV; NFF; NZFA; NF; NAVA; PH; PTW; SSV; SEV; SFV; SAVA; TWMF; UHT; USFF; VK; WWRI; and ZI.

Members absent: APCRA; ACV; CISV; CFZ (Associate Member); HS; HVK; MBV (Associate Member); NVVV; SVB; and VSHS.

Officers present: Michel R. Lupant, President; Charles A. Spain, Jr., Secretary-General; and Bruce B. Berry, Secretary-General for Congresses.

The Secretary-General determined that 29 of 37 of the Full Members were present, which satisfied the constitutional requirement that delegates of at least half of the Full Members be present. The Secretary-General recognized the presence of a quorum, and the President declared that the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly was properly constituted.

4. Appointment by President of tellers to count votes The President appointed Dieter Linder and John Moody.

5. Approval of the minutes of the Fifteenth Session of the General Assembly held August 11, 12, and 14, 1997 in Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa Moved by FSA, seconded by NFF, "That the minutes of the Fifteenth Session of the General Assembly, as published in *Info-FIAV* number 10, May 1998, be approved with the following two amendments: (1) page 15, line 32, change from 'cold we reconsider to' to 'could we reconsider' and (2) page 20, lines 53 and 54, change from 'not in principle' to 'in principle'." Carried by two-thirds majority. For the record, BDA noted the concerns it raised in the Fifteenth Session about the then-secretary-general (see *Info-FIAV* number 10, May 1998, at page 16) were based on erroneous information conveyed to BDA, and BDA expressed its confidence in the then-secretary-general and sincerely regrets the misunderstanding.

6. Reports by the Board

(a) President. Michel Lupant—The President paid tribute to past FIAV presidents, especially the late William Crampton, and to the Congress hosts, Chantal Webb and James Webb. The President aggressively contacted vexillologists around the world, with the hope that many more vexillological associations and institutions will apply for FIAV membership. He noted the trial adoption in Cape Town of *Bourinot's Rules of Order* and expressed the hope for productive and respectful discussions in this Session of the General Assembly. The President thanked the current members of the Board for their hard work and offered greetings in English, French, Spanish, and German.

(b) Secretary-General. Charles Spain—Four issues of *Info-FIAV* (numbers 11-14) were produced and mailed in the last biennium. The information on each Member was expanded, and a project was begun to publish in *Info-FIAV* the minutes of the first twelve General Assembly Sessions. The Secretary-General acknowledged the generous assistance of Whitney Smith in assembling a complete set of minutes. German and French (revised) translations of the Constitution were also published in *Info-FIAV*, and work was begun on a Spanish translation. Finally, the Secretary-General worked with the Board to propose a revision of the Constitution, including an official name for FIAV and standard translations into English, German, and Spanish.

The Secretary-General reported that while he was not requesting reimbursement for expenses, those expenses were not insignificant. The four issues of *Info-FIAV* cost US\$738.21 (photocopying US\$442.90 [donated]; postage US\$295.31), averaging approximately US\$4.29 for each individual copy mailed to Members. The Internet domain www.fiaf.org was registered at a cost of US\$100.00. Plaques to honor the two new "Laureates of the Federation" were purchased at a cost of US\$183.16. Miscellaneous correspondence, telephone calls, books (copies of *Bourinot's Rules of Order*), and office supplies cost US\$277.88. The total out-of-pocket expenses to the Secretary-General for 1997-1999 were US\$856.35. The Secretary-General noted that funding of FIAV's administrative expenses is an issue that must be addressed in the near future.

(c) Secretary-General for Congresses. Bruce Berry—The Secretary-General for Congresses made

his chief priority working with the ICV 18 hosts, CSA and NAVA, and ICV organizers, Chantal Webb and Jamie Webb. As an organizer for ICV 17, the Secretary-General for Congresses was able to share his experience in planning and running a Congress. He has received offers from HAVSOM and NF to host the 2003 Congress in Malta and in Stockholm. In closing, the Secretary-General for Congresses commented on the harmony with which the Board carried out its work during the past two years.

7. Announcements

(a) proposals to host ICV 20 (2003). NF and the Royal Army Museum announced their interest to cohost in Stockholm in the first week of August 2003.

(a) proposals to host ICV 21 (2005). HAVSOM announced its interest to host in Malta.

(c) candidates for FIAV membership (arranged in order membership applications were received):

(i) Societatea Română de Vexilologie (SRV) (received 1999 Jan 26)

(ii) Great Waters Association of Vexillology (GWAV) (received 1999 Jan 27)

(iii) New England Vexillological Association (NEVA) (received 1999 Jan 29)

(d) candidates for the FIAV Board:

(i) President. Michel Lupant announced his candidacy for re-election.

(ii) Secretary-General. Charles Spain announced his candidacy for re-election.

(iii) Secretary -General for Congresses. Ralph Bartlett, Graham Bartram, and Jiří Tenora announced their candidacies for election.

8. Report of the membership commission (Aleš Brožek, Philippe Rault, and Whitney Smith)

(a) Membership status of APCRA (formerly CIDEC). The commission recommended that APCRA's membership be changed in 2001 from Full to Associate because APCRA has not supplied (1) an explanation of the incorporation of CIDEC into APCRA and (2) and explanation of the purposes and organization of APCRA.

(b) APCRA's proposed international commission for protocol and protection of state symbolism. The commission did not make a recommendation.

9. Report of the standing orders commission (Don Healy, Roman Klimeš, and Ralph Kelly)

REPORT OF THE 1997-1999 FIAV STANDING ORDERS COMMISSION

The standing orders commission was reestablished at ICV 17 (1997) in Cape Town with a membership consisting of Don Healy (continuing), Roman Klimeš, and Ralph Kelly. The commission was charged with the task of reviewing *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISSN 0-7710-8336-X), to establish its suitability as a set of rules of order to govern the conduct of FIAV General Assembly sessions. A decision was made in Cape Town to use these Canadian rules on a trial basis during the General Assembly session in Victoria.

The standing orders commission did not have an opportunity to meet prior to this session of the General Assembly due to the unexpected nonattendance of two of its members and, as a statement of fact, the commission members did not undertake correspondence that established a uniform view on these matters. My report, therefore, is, of necessity, an interim one.

Many of the matters contained in *Bourinot's Rules of Order* are addressed in the FIAV Constitution or relate to parliamentary procedures beyond the scope of the needs of the General Assembly. Specifically, the procedures for notices of meetings, attendance quorums, voting majorities, and election of Officers are dealt with adequately in the FIAV Constitution. The order of business is also adequately covered by existing procedures of the FIAV Board.

The areas of useful guidance for the chair of the General Assembly (the FIAV President or another person acting as the President's substitute, with the consent of the General Assembly) relate to the rules concerning debate, motions, amendments, points of order, and questions (*Bourinot's Rules of Order* articles 30 to 50 on pages 42 to 63). These rules appear to conform substantially to the practices that have evolved for conducting General Assembly sessions

The relevant rules, as properly applied to FIAV, can be summarized as follows:

1. A motion must be proposed and seconded at the General Assembly session before it is debated. [Note: The General Assembly should consider dropping the requirement that a motion which has been timely submitted and published in the agenda must still be proposed and seconded at the General Assembly session. Motions already published in the agenda could be considered to have been seconded by a member of the Board.] A motion that is not seconded may not be considered. Once the motion is seconded, the President puts the question of the motion to the General Assembly for debate. If necessary, the President may restate the motion in a formal or more precise style of language. After the President puts the question on the motion for debate, the motion belongs to the General Assembly and may be withdrawn only by the consent of the General Assembly.

2. The delegates of FIAV Members have a right to speak about the motion during debate on the question; however, in order to manage time, the President may limit the number of times each delegate may speak and the length of speeches, as long as any such limitations are uniform. Notwithstanding any such limitations, a delegate may always make a substantive correction of fact or remedy a misquote.

3. A motion to amend a motion currently under consideration (the “main motion”) may be proposed and seconded, and the motion to amend is debatable and must be voted on before the delegates vote on the question of the main motion. More than one motion to amend can be proposed, including a motion to amend the motion to amend. Each motion to amend should be voted on in the order in which it was proposed, except for a motion to amend a motion to amend, which should be voted on immediately before the motion to amend to which it relates.

4. An amendment may alter the intent or effect of the main motion, but the President should reject a motion to amend that would nullify the main motion or a motion to amend that is not relevant to the main motion.

5. Once the question on a main motion has been debated and a vote is conducted, that decision (including any amendments to it) becomes the decision of the General Assembly. Further motions on the same subject matter at the same session of the General Assembly are not in order, unless they were timely submitted and published in the agenda. However, a delegate may make a motion to reconsider (if the original motion failed) or rescind (if the original motion passed).

6. In debates, the President selects from those delegates who indicate a wish to speak and normally there is no mandatory sequence of speakers for or against the motion. Speakers should address the President in making their remarks, even if the speaker wishes to ask a question of another delegate. A speaker has the right to be heard without interruption so long as the speaker’s remarks are relevant to the question under debate and the remarks do not offend propriety. The President can overrule remarks or questions that are not relevant or that offend propriety.

7. If a delegate believes a breach of the rules of order has occurred, the delegate can interrupt debate on the question of a motion by raising a question of privilege. The President must immediately rule on the question of privilege before allowing further debate.

8. The following procedural motions can be made during the debate of the question of a main motion:

(a) Motion to put the question to a vote—must be seconded and is debatable; this motion is used to end debate on the pending motion (which could be a motion to amend the motion) and force a direct vote on the pending motion. If the motion to put the question carries, then the pending motion must be voted on without any further debate or amendment.

(b) Motion to proceed to the next item of business—must be seconded and is not debatable; this motion is used to set aside the question being considered and proceed to the next item on the agenda. Although, the main motion, including, any motions to amend the main motion, is deemed to have failed, further motions on the same subject as the main motion are permissible because there was no vote on the main motion.

(c) Motion to defer the question—must be seconded and is debatable; this motion postpones consideration on the question of the motion (including any motions to amend the motion) to either a specified time (so more urgent business may be conducted) or indefinitely (thus, “killing” the motion). If a motion is deferred indefinitely, then a motion to reconsider the motion to defer must be made, seconded, debated, and carried before the question is reconsidered.

(d) Motion to refer the question to committee (commission)—must be seconded and is debatable; this motion is used when the subject of the motion requires further consideration than can be given at the current General Assembly session.

(e) Motion to adjourn the meeting—must be seconded and is not debatable; if carried, this motion sets aside the question being considered, and when the General Assembly reconvenes, it proceeds to the next item on the agenda. A motion to resume debate on the previous question may be made when the General Assembly reconvenes, and if the motion is seconded and—after debate—is carried, then the General Assembly returns to consider the previous question.

9. The President is responsible for maintaining order during the General Assembly session, both as to proper procedure and decorum. If the President believes that a speaker is out of order, the President should call the speaker to order by simply saying, “Order, please.” The speaker must stop while the President explains the point of order. The President’s ruling on a point of order is not debatable, but may be challenged by a motion to dissent to the ruling of the chair. Such a motion must be seconded, is not debatable, and must be put to a vote immediately. If the motion to dissent to the ruling of the chair passes, the President’s ruling is overturned. If the President is unable to

establish order, the President may adjourn the session to a later time or day. The President does not have the authority to discipline or penalize delegates; this may only be done by the General Assembly by a motion, which must be seconded and which is debatable.

10. When all the business of the session has been accomplished and the President is satisfied there is no other business that should be addressed, the President may, on his own authority and without a motion, finally adjourn the session without fixing a time and day for another meeting. If all the business has not been accomplished, the President may suggest that the session be adjourned to a later time or day, but an appropriate motion must be made, seconded, and passed. The President should adjourn the session without a motion if, at the relevant time, a quorum is not present at the session's outset or the quorum is subsequently lost.

11. The minutes should accurately record the actions taken and decisions made at the session. The minutes should not attempt to be a verbatim account of the session, but can include reference to the major issues discussed during debate. The minutes should be complete, clear, and succinct. The minutes should be affirmed at the next session or approved as corrected by an appropriate motion that has been seconded. There should be no debate on the policy or merits of a question dealt with in the minutes, and remarks on the minutes should strictly relate to the alleged error.

On behalf of the commission, I recommend that the General Assembly authorize the standing orders commission to assess whether the use of *Bourinot's Rules of Order* at this General Assembly session was effective in facilitating the efficient, orderly, and fair conduct of the session. If the commission is so continued, it could present an expanded report at the next session on the use of *Bourinot's* and possibly draft a stand-alone set of FIAV rules of order (including, for convenience, relevant provisions of the FIAV Constitution).

Ralph D. Kelly
July 29, 1999

10. **Report on ICV 19 (July 23-27, 2001, York, United Kingdom)** FI announced the dates and location of the Nineteenth International Congress of Vexillology.

11. **Consideration of candidates for membership** The President surrendered the chair to the Secretary-General so he could present the candidature of SRV.

(a) SRV. Moved by CEBED, seconded by NFF, "That SRV be admitted as a Full Member." Carried by two-thirds majority.

The Secretary-General surrendered the chair back to the President.

(b) GWAV. Moved by FRCSL, seconded by KVV, "That GWAV be admitted as a Full Member." FI asked if GWAV and NEVA were subdivisions of NAVA. NAVA and the Secretary-General responded that NAVA has no regional subdivisions or chapters. Carried by two-thirds majority with WVRI requesting it be recorded as voting against and DGG requesting it be recorded as present and not voting.

(c) NEVA. Moved by the Secretary-General, seconded by FRCSL, "That NEVA be admitted as a Full Member." Carried by two-thirds majority with WVRI requesting it be recorded as voting against and DGG requesting it be recorded as present and not voting.

The President recognized SRV's, GWAV's, and NEVA's delegates, and they were given seats in the General Assembly.

12. **Selection of ICV 20 (2003) host** Moved by FI, seconded by CEBED, "That NS and the Royal Army Museum cohost the Twentieth International Congress of Vexillology in Stockholm. Carried by two-thirds majority.

13. **Discussion about ICV 21 (2005) host** Postponed.

14. **Consideration of Board's proposed constitutional amendments, FRC's proposed constitutional amendment, and SSV's proposed revision to the Board's proposed constitutional amendment**

Resolution by the FIAV Board

Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,

SECTION I. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) New article 1 is enacted and existing articles 1 through 24 are renumbered and nonsubstantively amended as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF THE FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES ASSOCIATIONS VEXILLOLOGIQUES
[INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATIONS]

- I. NAME AND PURPOSES ~~[OF THE FEDERATION]~~
- Art. 1 ~~1~~ The name of this association is the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques, which is abbreviated as "FIAV." The official translations of FIAV's name are: International Federation of Vexillological Associations (English); Internationale Föderation Vexillologischer Gesellschaften (German); and Federación Internacional de Asociaciones Vexilológicas (Spanish).
- Art. 2 ~~[1-]~~ FIAV [The International Federation of Vexillological Associations] unites those associations and institutions throughout the world whose object is the pursuit of vexillology, which ~~[that]~~ is the creation and development of a body of knowledge about flags of all types, their forms and functions, and of scientific theories and principles based on that knowledge.
- Art. 3 ~~[2]~~ FIAV [The International Federation of Vexillological Associations (hereafter called "the Federation")] has as its purposes:
- (a) To create a strong bond among those associations and institutions and to encourage and coordinate their work, studies, and research;
 - (b) to promote ~~[periodically]~~ the organization of International Congresses of Vexillology and to lend its support to their organizers;
 - (c) to encourage the creation in all countries of associations and institutions dedicated to vexillology; and
 - (d) to sanction international standards facilitating the development of these activities.
- Art. 4 ~~[3]~~ FIAV [The Federation], being strictly scientific, has no commercial ends and renounces any political or religious activity or stand.
- II. HEADQUARTERS
- Art. 5 ~~[4]~~ The administrative headquarters of FIAV [the Federation] are located at the residences of its two Secretaries-General. If necessary, the General Assembly may establish ~~[It may also have]~~ a legal headquarters for FIAV.
- III. MEMBERSHIP
- Art. 6 ~~[5]~~ An applicant for membership in FIAV [the Federation]:
- (a) must be an organization of the type expressed in article 2 ~~[Art. 4 of the Constitution of the Federation]~~;
 - (b) must be committed to the purposes of FIAV [the Federation] expressed in article 3 ~~[Art. 2 of its Constitution]~~; and
 - (c) must be constituted in conformity with the laws of the country where it is located.
- Art. 7 ~~[6]~~ (a) Full membership in FIAV [the Federation] is open to any association or institution anywhere in the world having as its principal purpose the scientific study of vexillology. Associate membership in FIAV [the Federation] is open to other associations or institutions anywhere in the world having vexillology as a center of subsidiary interest.
- (b) The processing of membership applications is the responsibility of the Board ~~[of the Federation]~~. The Board may ~~[at its discretion devolve the function upon]~~ delegate this responsibility to a person appointed by it ~~[them]~~ for this purpose. The procedure

consists of the following:

- (1) [a] The applicant [~~candidate member~~] shall submit [~~is to complete the~~] a membership application [~~form~~], which must be received by the Board no later than six months before the convening [~~opening~~] of the next session of the General Assembly [~~of the Federation~~].
 - (2) [b] The Board shall consider the application [~~form~~] and make a recommendation to the General Assembly relative to the applicant and shall communicate that recommendation to the applicant and to existing Members [~~members of the Federation~~] not later than three months before the convening [~~opening~~] of the next session of the General Assembly.
 - (3) [c] The Board may recommend acceptance of the applicant as a Full Member, as an Associate Member, or may recommend rejection of the application.
 - (4) [d] The General Assembly at its next session [~~meeting~~] shall vote on the application. An authorized representative of the applicant may appear at the [~~meeting~~] session to represent its case. A rejected applicant has the right to reapply for membership at any later session of the General Assembly.
- (c) The Board and the General Assembly, in making their decisions about an applicant, shall have regard to the following:
- (1) [a] the [~~The~~] existence of a written constitution and its provisions;
 - (2) [b] the vexillological and non-vexillological activities of the applicant, including [~~t-~~] meetings, [~~it-~~] publications, and [~~iii-~~] international relations;
 - (3) [c] in the case of an association, the number of its dues-paying members (minimum of five);
 - (4) [d] registration of its members in International Congresses of Vexillology [~~sponsored by the Federation~~];
 - (5) [e] the length of time it has existed; and
 - (6) [f] the presence of an autochthonous [~~autochthonous~~] and authorized representative of the applicant at the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a vote on [~~dealing with~~] the [~~membership~~] application.

Art. 8 [7] The voluntary resignation of any Member must be received in writing by the President [~~of the Federation~~]; The resignation [it] is effective [~~upon~~] on the date of its receipt.

Art. 9 [8] At its discretion, the Board may require a Member to furnish evidence of its continued qualification for membership under the terms set forth in article 7 [~~Art-6~~]. On the basis of this evidence, the Board may make a recommendation to the General Assembly on the continuation or modification of the membership of the association or institution. If the recommendation is made to remove a Member from FIAV [~~the Federation~~] or change its status from full to associate membership, the Member in question must be notified at least three months in advance of the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a vote on the matter. The Member shall be invited to present its defense before the General Assembly, but shall not participate in the vote on the matter.

- Art. 10 [9] Each Member ~~[of the Federation]~~ regulates its own affairs in complete freedom, limited only by the laws in effect in the territory where it functions. FIAV ~~[The Federation]~~ may not limit the rights of the Members in this respect.
- Art. 11 [40] Members ~~[of the Federation]~~ shall not undertake any activities contrary to the interests of FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~.
- Art. 12 [44] FIAV ~~[The Federation]~~ may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~, nor may they hold international vexillological meetings ~~[for vexillology]~~ on their own.
- Art. 13 [42] The General Assembly may name as “Laureates of the Federation” ~~[individuals]~~ persons who have made outstanding contributions to vexillology. The ~~[This]~~ status as a Laureate does not confer any right within FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~.
- IV. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
- Art. 14 [43] (a) The General Assembly is composed of the Officers ~~[officers of the Board]~~ together with a delegate from each of the Full and Associate Members ~~[of the Federation]~~. Each delegate must present to the President ~~[of the General Assembly]~~ written credentials from the Member represented. A Member may delegate any or all of its powers in writing to a delegate from any other Member or to an Officer ~~[officer of the Federation]~~.
- (b) ~~[The]~~ A session of the General Assembly is not ~~[validly]~~ constituted unless delegates of at least half ~~[its duly represented]~~ of the Full Members ~~[as determined at the beginning of the session,]~~ are present, except as provided for in article 25 ~~[Art. 24]~~.
- (c) Each Full Member and each Officer ~~[officer of the Board]~~ is entitled to one vote in the General Assembly.
- Art. 15 [44] Majorities in the General Assembly ~~[sessions are constituted]~~ consist of the following fractions of those Full Members present and voting:
- (a) A ~~[a]~~ simple majority in the election of Officers ~~[an officer]~~. If more than two ~~[2]~~ candidates stand for election ~~for~~ ~~[of]~~ an Office ~~[officer,]~~ and ~~[if]~~ no candidate receives a one ~~[reaches the]~~ simple majority, then the candidate with the least votes shall ~~[will]~~ be eliminated from the next ballot, and so on.
- (b) Two-thirds ~~[two-thirds]~~ for ordinary resolutions. ~~[and]~~
- (c) Three-quarters ~~[three-quarters]~~ for amendments to the Constitution or dissolution of FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~.
- Art. 16 [45] The ~~[powers of the]~~ General Assembly ~~[are the following]~~:
- (a) elects ~~[The election of]~~ Officers ~~[the President and the two Secretaries-General]~~;
- (b) examines and approves ~~[examination and approval of]~~ the administration of the Board and the Commissions ~~[commissions]~~;
- (c) examines ~~[the examination of]~~ all questions concerning FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~ and in particular the organization of the International Congresses of Vexillology;
- (d) interprets ~~[interpretation of]~~ the Constitution ~~[of the Federation]~~;
- (e) names ~~[the appointment of]~~ Laureates of the Federation pursuant

to article 13 and awards ~~[the awarding of]~~ such other distinctions as it deems appropriate to persons or institutions who have shown particular merit in the field of vexillology;

(f) determines ~~[the determination of]~~ the amount and disposition of the annual dues, if any, to be paid by Members; and

(g) establishes such Commissions as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners ~~[the appointment of special commissions]~~.

Art. 17 [46] The General Assembly holds a session ~~[meets]~~ at least once every two years, normally on the occasion of each International Congress of Vexillology. ~~[It must be convened by the]~~ The Board convenes a session of the General Assembly. The Board must give notice of the agenda, including any amendments to the Constitution, to all Members at least three months in advance [with notification of the agenda including any proposed amendments to the Constitution] of the session.

Art. 18 [47] The General Assembly may be called into an emergency session if extraordinary conditions require this, as determined by the Board, or if three-quarters of the Full Members request this of the Board.

V. ADMINISTRATION ~~[OF THE FEDERATION]~~

Art. 19 [48] (a) The administration of FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~ is entrusted to a Board which acts only by unanimous agreement. The Board is composed of three Officers: the President [of the Federation and its two Secretaries-General], the Secretary-General, and the Secretary-General for Congresses.

(b) The Officers ~~[Board]~~ are ~~[is]~~ elected at the end of each session of the General Assembly and serve ~~[serves]~~ until the election of the new Officers ~~[Board]~~ at the next session of the General Assembly. Consent of the ~~[nominees]~~ candidates for election is required. The Officers ~~[Members]~~ are eligible for re-election.

(c) The ~~[two Secretaries-General shall]~~ Secretary-General and the Secretary-General for Congresses must reside [in] on different continents. [One] The Secretary-General manages the Permanent Secretariat of FIAV [the Federation] and the [other] Secretary-General for Congresses manages the Permanent Secretariat of the International Congresses of Vexillology. The Board is considered to be in continuous session, conducted by correspondence. In addition it must meet at least once between International Congresses of Vexillology.

Art. 20 [49] The Board ~~[of the Federation]~~:

(a) manages ~~[Manages]~~ the current affairs of FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~ and establishes the duties and obligations of its Officers ~~[officers]~~;

(b) issues directives which it considers necessary to the success of the activities of FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~, including the International Congresses of Vexillology;

(c) establishes such Commissions ~~[commissions]~~ as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners ~~[members]~~;

(d) convenes ~~[convokes]~~ sessions of the General Assembly ~~[Assemblies in accord with Arts:] pursuant to articles 17 [46] and 18 [47 of the Constitution]~~;

(e) represents FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~ in its relations with other national and international institutions; and

- (f) manages membership procedures [~~in accordance with Art. 6 of the Constitution~~] pursuant to article 7 and encourages [~~the adherence to the Federation of new members~~] vexillological associations and institutions to apply for FIAV membership.
- Art. 21 [20] All acts binding [~~upon the Federation~~] on FIAV must be signed by all Officers [~~the President and both the Secretaries-General~~]. Current correspondence may be signed [~~either~~] by any single Officer [~~the President or one of the Secretaries-General~~].
- VI. LANGUAGES
- Art. 22 [21] The official languages of FIAV and the International Congresses of Vexillology [~~and of the communications of the Federation~~] are [~~shall be~~] English, French, German, and Spanish. Other languages may be used [~~as well, where~~] when appropriate.
- VII. PUBLICATIONS
- Art. 23 [22] The official journal of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] is *The Flag Bulletin* [~~THE FLAG-BULLETIN~~] (ISSN 0015-3370). In addition, FIAV [~~the Federation~~] shall publish a newsletter concerning its activities at least once a year for the benefit of its Members, which may be freely reproduced. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other publications.
- VIII. SYMBOLS
- Art. 24 [23] [~~The Flag of the Federation is as~~] FIAV's flag is described and illustrated in the *Recueil du I^{er} [44] Congrès International de Vexillologie Zurich 1967*. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other symbols for FIAV [~~the Federation~~].
- IX. DISSOLUTION
- Art. 25 [24] Dissolution of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] may be considered only at a session of the General Assembly attended by at least three-quarters of the Full Members. Members prevented from attending the General Assembly may submit written, notarized votes. This General Assembly establishes the terms of the dissolution.

(b) Comment: To (1) establish uniform translations and abbreviation of FIAV's name and (2) make nonsubstantive changes in numbering, spelling, punctuation, usage, and grammar. In proposing these nonsubstantive changes, the Board is specifically *not* proposing a general revision of the Constitution. In order to limit the scope of the proposed constitutional amendments before the General Assembly, the Board has proposed all other specific substantive changes in individual sections of this resolution. If the General Assembly deems any of the changes proposed by section 1—excepting the proposed translations and abbreviation of FIAV's name—are in fact substantive, then the Board withdraws from consideration the portions deemed to be substantive.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 12 is amended as follows:

- Art. 12 (a) FIAV may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of FIAV [~~nor may they hold international meetings for vexillology on their own~~].
- (b) Members may not hold international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. This prohibition, however, does not apply to a joint vexillological meeting by two or three neighboring Members in a year in which an International Congress of Vexillology is not held.

(b) Comment: To modify the prohibition against international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. Under the revised article, it would not be considered a violation of the prohibition if individual members of one or two associations and/or institutions were to attend a vexillological

meeting hosted by another FIAV Member as guests, so long as such attendance is incidental and not actively advertised by the host to nonmembers of the host association or institution.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Articles 13 and 16(e) are amended as follows:

Art. 13 The General Assembly may name as "Laureates of the Federation" persons who have made outstanding contributions to vexillology. The General Assembly may delegate this power to the Board. The status as a Laureate does not confer any right within FIAV.

Art. 16 The General Assembly:

...

(e) names Laureates of the Federation pursuant to article 13 and awards such other distinctions as it deems appropriate to persons or institutions who have shown particular merit in the field of vexillology (this power may be delegated to the Board); and

(b) Comment: To recognize in the Constitution the existing practice by which the General Assembly allows the Board to confer the Vexillon award and bestow Laureate status.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 19(c) is amended as follows:

Art. 19

(c) The Secretary-General and the Secretary-General for Congresses must reside on different continents. The Secretary-General manages the Permanent Secretariat of FIAV and the Secretary-General for Congresses manages the Permanent Secretariat of the International Congresses of Vexillology. The Board is considered to be in continuous session, conducted by correspondence. ~~[In addition it must meet at least once between International Congresses of Vexillology.]~~

(d) If an Officer dies, resigns, or is mentally or physically incapable of carrying out the duties of the office, those duties shall be performed by the remaining Officers.

(b) Comment: To eliminate the suggestion that the Board is required to travel and conduct an in-person meeting between International Congresses of Vexillology and to codify existing practice concerning the death or unavailability of an Officer.

SECTION 5. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 21 is amended as follows:

Art. 21 FIAV's assent to an agreement imposing a binding obligation on FIAV may only be given by a written document signed by all Officers. ~~[All acts binding upon FIAV must be signed by all Officers].~~ Current correspondence may be signed by any single Officer.

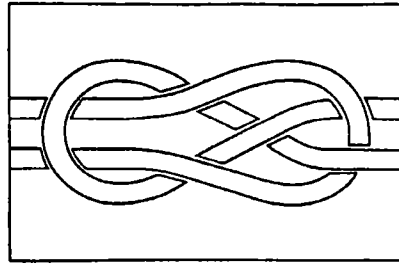
(b) Comment: To clarify that article 21 applies only to agreements between FIAV and another parties, as opposed to Board actions affecting only FIAV.

SECTION 6. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 24 is amended as follows:

Art. 24 (a) FIAV's flag is described [and illustrated in the *Recueil du II^e Congrès International de Vexillologie Zurich 1967*.] as follows: "On a blue field, extending horizontally from hoist to fly, two yellow halyards forming two interlaced loops." The color blue is defined as Pantone Matching System U293 and the color yellow

is defined as Pantone Matching System U123. The Flag is illustrated as follows:



(b) The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other symbols for FIAV.

(b) Comment: To incorporate the definition and design of FIAV's flag directly into the Constitution and to specify the color shades by reference to the Pantone Matching System.

SECTION 7. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Articles 17 and 25 are amended as follows:

Art. 17 The General Assembly holds a session at least once every two years, normally on the occasion of each International Congress of Vexillology. The Board convenes a session of the General Assembly. The Board must give notice of the agenda, including any amendments to the Constitution or motion to dissolve FIAV, to all Members at least three months in advance of the session.

Art. 25 (a) ~~[Dissolution of]~~ A motion to dissolve FIAV may be considered only at a session of the General Assembly [attended by] at which delegates of at least three-quarters of the Full Members are present. [Members prevented from attending the General Assembly may submit written, notarized votes:]

(b) Instead of sending a delegate, a Full Member may chose to submit to the President a written, notarized statement expressing that Member's vote in favor of, or in opposition to, the motion to dissolve. A Full Member that submits any such statement shall be considered present at the session for the purpose of determining that the session is constituted to consider a motion to dissolve.

(c) The [Fhis] General Assembly establishes the terms of the dissolution.

(b) Comment: To clarify the procedures for dissolution.

SECTION 8. MISCELLANEOUS.

(a) Severability. Each of sections 1 through 7 of this resolution may be separately considered by the General Assembly, and approved or disapproved individually.

(b) Font. Additions to the Constitution are indicated by underlining and deletions to the Constitution are indicated by ~~enclosure in brackets and strikeouts~~. The "current" text of the Constitution in sections 2 through 7 assumes the passage of section 1. If approved, the modified text shall appear in nonunderlined font without the bracketed and struck out text.

(c) Comments. The comments to sections 1 through 7 of this resolution are provided for explanatory

purposes only and do not form part of the proposed amendment.

(d) Effective date. Each of sections 1 through 7 of this resolution receiving approval shall be immediately effective at the time of its approval.

Moved by FI, seconded by KVV, "That the Board's resolution proposing amendments to the FIAV Constitution be adopted." Carried by three-fourths majority. DGG and ZI requested that they be recorded as voting against.

RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY THE FLAG RESEARCH CENTER

Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,

(1) Article 12(b) is amended to read as follows:

Art. 12 (b) Members may not hold international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. ~~[This prohibition, however, does not apply to a joint vexillological meeting by two or three neighboring Members in a year in which an International Congress of Vexillology is not held.]~~ An international meeting is defined as one involving Members from countries other than those officially encompassed by the host Member. Notwithstanding this prohibition, a Member holding a vexillological meeting in any year in which no International Congress of Vexillology is held may invite participation by a Member from a contiguous country.

(2) Additions to the Constitution are indicated by underlining and deletions to the Constitution are indicated by ~~[enclosure in brackets and strikeouts]~~. If approved, the modified text shall appear in nonunderlined font without the bracketed and struck out text.

Moved by FRC, seconded by NAVA, "That FRC's resolution proposing an amendment to the FIAV Constitution be adopted."

FRC explained that while it agreed that the existing ban against international meetings should be modified, FIAV should be vigilant in preventing another situation like the one in 1981 when there was a meeting of European flag organizations and institutions that competed with the Ninth International Congress of Vexillology held in Ottawa. FRC also explained that the term "contiguous country" means a country that touches another's border or is separated only by water and that a meeting of a multinational FIAV Member such as NS, NAVA, or SAVA is not defined as an "international meeting."

FDC suggested that FRC's motion be expanded to allow meetings "of other countries of the same region." FRC declined to accept FDC's suggestion.

Moved by FI, seconded by KVV, "That FRC's resolution be amended to read as follows, "Members may not hold international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. ~~[This prohibition, however, does not apply to a joint vexillological meeting by two or three neighboring Members in a year in which an International Congress of Vexillology is not held.]~~ Notwithstanding this prohibition, a Member holding a vexillological meeting in any year in which no International Congress of Vexillology is held may invite participation by a Member from a contiguous country."

A roll call vote was requested on the motion to amend. FSA pointed out that newly amended article 15 bases voting majorities on those Members present and voting; accordingly, an abstention means the Member is present and not voting. The following voted in favor: BDA, CFA, CEBED, CBFA, FI, FRC, FRCSL, FSA, GWAV, KVV, NFF, NEVA, NF, NAVA, PH, SEV, SRV, SFV, SAVA, TWMF, USFF, the President, the Secretary-General, and the Secretary-General for Congresses. The following voted against: DGF, FDC, PTW, UHT, VK, AND WVRI. The following announced present and not voting: NZFA and ZI. Carried by two-thirds majority.

There was spirited discussion on the amended motion about the needs of a united Europe versus competition with the International Congresses of Vexillology.

Moved by USFF, seconded by ZI, "That the question be called." Carried by two-thirds majority.

The President called the question, "That FRC's resolution, as amended, proposing an amendment to the FIAV Constitution be adopted." Carried by three-fourths majority.

At 10:40 p.m., the President adjourned the Session of the General Assembly until 6:00 p.m. on July 30, 1999.

Day 2

The President called the meeting to order on July 30, 1999, at 6:07 p.m.

14. Consideration of Board's proposed constitutional amendments, FRC's proposed constitutional amendment, and SSV's proposed revision to the Board's proposed constitutional amendment (continued)

**PROPOSAL OF THE SCHWEIZERISCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR FAHNEN- UND
FLAGGENKUNDE/SOCIÉTÉ SUISSE DE VEXILLOLOGIE/SOCIETÀ SVIZZERA DI VESSILLOGIA**

**SCHWEIZERISCHE GESELLSCHAFT
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July 2, 1999

Fédération Internationale des
Associations Vexillologiques (FIAV)
To the Board
Victoria (BC), Canada

PROPOSAL FOR A COLOUR CODIFICATION OF THE FIAV FLAG

Cher Michel, dear Bruce and dear Charles,

The Board of FIAV is proposing to the GA to amend art. 24 of the constitution regarding definition of colour of the FIAV flag.

The SSV basically agrees to this amendment, in as it considers it necessary to specify the colour shades of the FIAV flag to avoid various shades of blue and yellow to be used. There exist up to date but two FIAV flags, the original one, manufactured for the 1967 Zurich ICV and now in the possession of the respective ICV organizer [Note by the Secretary-General: This flag is now in the possession of the FRC], and another identical flag in the possession of the SSV. So, the problem at present is not primarily colour specifications for fabric flags but colour specifications for printed media.

Printed media use a specification called FOUR COLOUR PRINTING, they do not use Pantone. So, the SSV proposes to extend the specification proposed by the Board not only to Pantone, which should be retained, but as well to the FOUR COLOUR PRINTING system.

In such a case, the printing media specification for **Blue** (corresponding to the U293 Pantone) would be: **100% Cyan, 60% Magenta, 0% Yellow, 0% Black.**

And the **Yellow** U123 Pantone would correspond to the FOUR COLOUR SYSTEM: **100% Yellow, 10% Magenta, 0% Cyan, 0% Black.**

I thank you for taking into consideration the proposal of the SSV. Wishing you a joyful and a very successful congress, I remain

With kind regards,

Dr. Emil Dreyer
(SSV president)

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Moved by FI, seconded by HAVSOM, "That SSV's proposal be adopted." Discussion (1) that SSV's proposal

is an ordinary resolution, not a constitutional resolution and (2) whether the recommendations for four-color equivalencies are accurate. SAVA suggested that the motion be approved subject to verification. Motion fails. Consensus reached, however, that the Board should determine accurate four-color equivalencies and publish them in *Info-FIAV*. The Board expressed its appreciation to SSV for raising the issue.

15. Consideration of WVRI's proposed resolution number 1 (removing FRCSL as a Member of FIAV)

RESOLUTION NO. 1 PROPOSED BY THE WORLD VEXILLOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques, that the Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka be removed as a Member of FIAV.

The President asked if anyone was willing to make a motion. No one did, and the matter was not considered.

16. Consideration of WVRI's proposed constitutional amendments numbers 2 and 3

(a) WVRI's proposed resolution number 2 (ICV registration fees)

RESOLUTION NO. 2 PROPOSED BY THE WORLD VEXILLOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,

(1) New article 24 and its heading are enacted as follows:

IX. INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES OF VEXILLOLOGY

Art. 24 The organizer of an International Congress of Vexillology shall set a single, uniform Congress registration fee, which must be paid by all participants regardless of nationality. The Congress organizer must set the registration fee in the currency of the host country.

(2) Current article 24 and its heading are renumbered as appropriate.

Moved by DGF, seconded by WVRI, "That WVRI's resolution number 2 proposing an amendment to the FIAV Constitution be adopted." Discussion that the amendment would complicate the work of the congress host and that it would make it difficult for hosts in Third World countries to get local participants. Failed.

(b) WVRI's proposed resolution number 3 (proxy voting)

RESOLUTION NO. 3 PROPOSED BY THE WORLD VEXILLOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,

(1) Article 13 is amended to read as follows:

Art. 13 (a) The General Assembly is composed of the ~~[officers]~~ Officers of the Board together with a delegate from each of the Full and Associate Members of the Federation. Each delegate must present to the President of the General Assembly written credentials from the Member represented.

(b) If the Member is an association or institution that is composed of members, then the person serving as the Member's delegate must be a dues-paying member of the association or institution. If the Member is an institution with no members, then the person serving as the Member's delegate must be an officer of the institution. [A Member may delegate any or all of its powers in writing to a delegate from any other Member or to an officer of the Federation.] A person may not serve as the delegate of more than one Member, nor may a person serve as both a delegate and an Officer. A person serving as a delegate must be a citizen or permanent resident of at least one of the countries in the territory where the Member functions.

(c) The General Assembly is not validly constituted unless at least half its duly represented Full Members, as determined at the

beginning of the session, are present, except as provided for in Art. 24.

- (d) Each Full Member and each ~~officer~~ Officer of the Board is entitled to one vote in the General Assembly.

(2) Additions to the Constitution are indicated by underlining and deletions to the Constitution are indicated by ~~enclosure in brackets and strikeouts~~. If approved, the modified text shall appear in nonunderlined font without the bracketed and struck out text.

Moved by WVRI, no second, "That WVRI's resolution number 3 proposing an amendment to the FIAV Constitution be adopted." Not considered because there was no second.

17. Consideration of Board's proposal for a limited FIAV website Moved by FI, seconded by FDC, "That the Board's proposal for a limited FIAV website be approved. The website would contain a brief explanation of vexillology and the purpose of FIAV, the names and contact information (including links) for all FIAV Members, names of former Members, names and contact information for the Officers, names of past Officers, information on upcoming and past International Congresses of Vexillology and their flags, the text of the Constitution and Flag Information Code, lists of Laureates of the Federation and Vexillon recipients, a short history of FIAV, and the text of recent issues of *Info-FIAV*. The FIAV website would not provide general flag information, but would instead refer visitors to the website of FIAV Members. The Board would be responsible for maintaining the website and for paying any expenses associated with it (the Board, however, would be allowed to receive voluntary contributions, if offered)."

Discussion about costs (approximately US\$250 annually). FRCSL asked if the Board would still publish *Info-FIAV* were a website to be established; the Secretary-General replied, "Yes." Carried.

18. Consideration of membership status of APCRA (formerly CIDEC) In light of the membership commission's report that APCRA's membership be changed in 2001 from Full to Associate, the President passed this item as moot. [Note: On November 25, 1999, Anibal Gotelli informed the Secretary-General in writing of the following: "CIDEC still exists as a separate association from the Asociación de Profesionales del Ceremonial de la República Argentina (APCRA) and CIDEC desires to continue its FIAV membership as CIDEC." Accordingly, the Secretary-General has modified his records to show CIDEC as a FIAV Member instead of APCRA.]

19. Discussion about publication of ICV proceedings in general and specific status of certain proceedings

ICV 5	1973	London, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 9	1981	Ottawa, Canada	FRC, Heraldry Society of Canada, NAVA
ICV 14	1991	Barcelona, Spain	ACV
ICV 15	1993	Zürich, Switzerland	SSV
ICV 16	1995	Warszawa, Poland	CFZ, FDC, and PTW
ICV 17	1997	Cape Town, South Africa	SAVA

ICV5: FI admitted it didn't know the status of the 1973 proceedings. FRC said it would produce a list of papers from the congress, including citations of those that have been published, for publication in *Info-FIAV* or *The Flag Bulletin*.

ICV 9: FRC said it has published all but three of the papers presented at the congress. FRC said it would publish a list of those papers in *The Flag Bulletin*.

ICV 14: FRC reported that the primary congress organizer has said he will not publish the proceedings, notwithstanding the fact that the congress delegates paid for the proceedings as a part of the congress registration fee. FRC said there was a possibility that the papers could be published in *The Flag Bulletin*, but FRC could not make a firm commitment to do so at this time. FRC noted it did not have all the papers from that congress.

ICV 15: Publication is imminent.

ICV 16: PTW reported that the congress organizer has said he will publish all the papers on the InterNet, most likely as a part of *Weksyli@na: Biuletyn informacyjny rynku flagowo - heraldycznego*. [Note: See Władysław Serwatowski's July 26, 1999 letter reprinted on page 5.] PTW stated it thought the congress proceedings should be published in book format.

ICV 17: Publication is imminent.

The Board thanked FRC for volunteering to do so much work related to the publication of past congress proceedings. There was broad consensus that congress organizers have a moral obligation to ensure that congress proceedings are published.

20. Consideration of APCRA's proposed international commission for protocol and protection of state symbolism

PROPOSAL OF THE CENTRO INTERDISCIPLINARIO DE ESTUDIOS CULTURALES

**CENTRO INTERDISCIPLINARIO
DE ESTUDIOS CULTURALES**

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Ministerio de Educación, Seperintendencia Nacional de Enseñanza Privada, Reg. nro.
20.807/92
Institución Meimbro de Pleno Derecho de la Federación Internacionale des Asociaciones
Véxillologiques (F.I.A.V.)
Institución Meimbro de Derecho del Centre d'Entreaide Généalogique de France (C.E.G.F.)

M E M O

To: all FIAV MEMBERS
From: Prof, ANIBAL GOTELLI
President of C.I.D.E.C. - Buenos Aires, Argentina.
[Date: July 5, 1995]

Sub.: CREATION OF ONE FIAV INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR PROTOCOL AND
PROTECTION OF STATE SYMBOLISM.

1. Compilation of flag protocol rules of all the countries.
2. Comparative studies of the flag protocol rules of all the countries.
3. Communication of all those rules concerning protocol and protection of flags to all FIAV Members.
4. This Commission will be a permanent source of consultation for all FIAV Members, academies, related institutions and State Offices of all countries.
5. Study of flag protocol rules of all the countries, searching which of those rules are common to all countries or to a the majority of the countries. At the future, this Commission can organize a group of common rules to be presented to the approval of the next ICV Congress like a group of protocol rules that can be used as model in all those countries who don't have official rules concerning Protocol and Protection of Flags.
6. At last, but not least, this Commission can make the study of rules and methods for protection and conservation of flags in museums and public places.

Prof. ANNIBAL GOTELLI (CIDEDEC - ARG.). /s/ Gotelli

Moved by CEBED, seconded by KVV, "That APTRA's proposal be tabled indefinitely." Carried.

21. Consideration of DGF's proposal to create an accuracy code for flag data
and
22. Consideration of DGF's proposal to create standards for papers that are delivered at ICVs

**RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY THE
DEUTSCHE GESELLSCHAFT FÜR FLAGGENKUNDE E.V.**

Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques, that a Flag Data Accuracy Commission is appointed to study the proposal of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Flaggenkunde e.V. printed in Info-FIAV number 13. The commission shall prepare a report of its findings and conclusions, which shall be published with the 2001 General Assembly agenda.

DGF's proposal follows:

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Flaggenkunde e.V.

Dr. Andreas Herzfeld, Iltisfad 24, D-04249 Leipzig, Germany

Mr. Charles A. Spain, Jr.
FIAV Secretary-General
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USA

Leipzig, 16th May 1999

Dear Secretary-General,

1. The DGF proposes that FIAV adopt a flag data accuracy code. Every time a flag is shown in vexillological publications there should also be a code displayed that estimates the accuracy of the flag information.

The proposed flag data accuracy code follows:

- A1 Vexillologist has official information from national, state, provincial, or other governmental unit sources, *i.e.*, laws, decrees, or ordinances.
- A2 Vexillologist has semiofficial information, *i.e.*, a government tourist office pamphlet, or has information from a nongovernmental source.
- B1 Vexillologist has personally seen the flag in actual use and knows the flag's status, but does not have any other information.
- B2 Vexillologist has personally seen the actual flag, but does not know the flag's usage or status and does not have any other information.
- C Vexillologist has only hearsay information, *i.e.*, "I have heard that . . ." Vexillologist does not know the specific details about the flag and does not have an image of the flag. Further study is needed to verify the information.

2. The DGF proposes that FIAV adopt specific standards for vexillological papers and articles. Every paper or article should contain a summary, a list of keywords, and a bibliography.

The biggest problem is the bibliography. Jiří Tenora, reading his paper in Cape Town, complained that some vexillologists spread incorrect information about the flag of Marij El in order to be the first person to report on the flag.¹

Mario Fabretto has pointed out how an incorrect drawing of a flag from Afghanistan was distributed to vexillologists around the world by e-mail ("Here is a flag I saw on television during a report from Afghanistan; I couldn't recognize all the details so I made a simplified drawing.")²

The International Organization of Standardization (ISO) has guidelines for bibliographies. Examples of correct citations are:

¹ Tenora, J.: Die Staatsflagge der Republik Marij El; Flaggenkurier Nr. 7/8 (1998); 30-35.

² Fabretto, M.: The Concept of Quality in Vexillology; Flag Data Bank Nr. 7 (1997); 3-5.

Ruder, Z.: Conflicting national visions: Red v. blue in modern Israel, *Flag Bull* 1998; 37: 104-119.

Siegel, R.: *Die Flagge*, Dietrich Reimer (Ernst Vohsen) Verlag Berlin 1912.

Ströhl, H. G.: Beiträge zur Geschichte der Badges, In *Jahrbuch der k. u. k. heraldischen Gesellschaft „Adler“*, Bd. 12, Selbstverlag der k. u. k. heraldischen Gesellschaft „Adler“ Wien, 1902; 75-113.

A list of keywords should be provided with each paper or article to assist people who are searching for it. Both libraries and Internet search engines use keywords to find information, and the title of the paper or article does not always accurately reflect its content.

The DGF suggests that the General Assembly appoint a commission to study these two proposals and prepare a report for consideration at the 2001 session of the General Assembly in York.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. A. Herzfeld
Chairman of the DGF

Moved by DGF, seconded by FI, "That DGF's proposed resolution be adopted." Carried. The Board appointed the following to the commission: Graham Bartram, Mario Fabretto, Andreas Herzfeld, Whitney Smith, and Alfred Znamierowski.

23. Further consideration of the International Association of Flag Manufacturers' (IAFM) proposal for an award to recognize the most creative paper delivered at an ICV

Moved by NAVA, seconded by FI, "That the International Association of Flag Manufacturers' (IAFM) proposal to donate a biennial US\$100 award to recognize the most creative paper delivered at an International Congress of Vexillology, the recipient of which will be chosen by a jury composed of (a) one juror selected by IAFM, (b) one juror selected by the Board, and (c) one juror jointly selected by the two jurors previously selected by IAFM and the Board, be accepted." Carried. The General Assembly expressed its appreciation to the International Association of Flag Manufacturers for its generous offer.

CFA expressed concern about the Board's previous statement that all awards and recognitions given at congresses should ultimately be under the general supervision of FIAV. The Secretary-General pointed out that FIAV is ultimately responsible for what is done at International Congresses of Vexillology. FRC expressed its opinion that the Board should approve all award given out at International Congresses of Vexillology, with the exception of awards given by a Member at a meeting it holds in conjunction with a congress.

24. Consideration of continued use of *Bourinot's Rules of Order* FSA moved, seconded by HAVSOM, "That *Bourinot's Rules of Order* continue to be used on a temporary basis and that the standing orders commission be continued." Carried. The Board appointed the following to the commission: Ralph Kelly, chair; Scot Guenter; and Charles Spain.

24A. Consideration of the Board's proposed officer flags Moved by FI, seconded by PTW, "That the Board's proposed officer flags be adopted." Carried. The General Assembly expressed its appreciation to Chantal Webb and James Webb, the owners of the Victoria Flag Shop, for their generous donation of the first set of officers' flags.

25. Election of 1999-2001 Board

(a) President

Michel Lupant was nominated for a second term as President by NEVA, seconded by KVV. Moved by FI, seconded by NAVA, "That Michel Lupant be re-elected President by acclamation." Carried.

(b) Secretary-General

Charles Spain was nominated for a second term as Secretary-General by NFF, seconded by CFA. Moved by CEBED, seconded by FI, "That Charles Spain be re-elected Secretary-General by acclamation." Carried.

(c) Secretary-General for Congresses

Ralph Bartlett was nominated for Secretary-General of Congresses by FSA, seconded by FRC. Jiří Tenora for Secretary-General of Congresses by FDC, seconded by KVV. Graham Bartram was nominated for Secretary-General of Congresses by the current Secretary-General of Congresses, seconded by SEV. Using the procedure in article 15(a) of the Constitution, Tenora was eliminated after the first ballot. FSA inquired about the specific number of votes cast for each candidate in the first ballot. The President stated that the specific numbers would not be revealed without a successful motion to put the number of votes in the record. There was an apparent consensus with the President's statement, and no such motion was made. Graham Bartram was elected on the second ballot.

26. **Adjournment *sine die* of the Sixteenth Session by President** The President expressed his appreciation to Dieter Linder and John Moody for their service as tellers. The President also thanked outgoing Secretary-General for Congresses Bruce Berry for all his hard work. With no further business pending, the President adjourned the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly *sine die* (without fixing a time and day for another meeting) at 8:10 p.m.

APPENDIX TO THE MINUTES

THE VEXILLON AWARD

On August 2, 1999, the FIAV Board presented the Vexillon Award at the closing luncheon of the Eighteenth International Congress of Vexillology. The following is the text of FIAV President Michel Lupant's remarks:

At the suggestion of the Flag Society of Australia, FIAV established the Vexillon Award in 1989 to recognize the person or persons who have made the most important contribution to vexillology during the two years preceding the International Congress of Vexillology. Since 1989, the Flag Society of Australia has graciously provided the plaque for the Vexillon, and the FIAV Board has selected the recipient of the Vexillon.

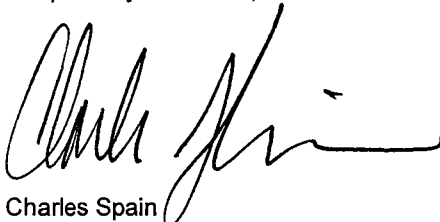
This year FIAV bestows the Vexillon for a unique contribution to vexillology, one which was the work of several people. "Flags of the Native Peoples of the United States," published in volumes 3 and 4 of *Raven: A Journal of Vexillology*, was the result of years of work by the author, Donald T. Healy, and the *Raven* editorial board and staff. This work constitutes the first serious look at the flags of the indigenous peoples of the United States, and it is an original and significant contribution to vexillology. For this outstanding achievement, FIAV recognizes the author, Don Healy, and all other individuals who contributed to the success of this important work.

The FIAV Board asks Dr. John Purcell, chair of the editorial board of *Raven*, to come forward and accept the Vexillon on behalf of both Mr. Healy and the *Raven* board and staff.

LAUREATES OF THE FEDERATION

On August 2, 1999, FIAV posthumously named Otfried Neubecker and William G. Crampton as Laureates of the Federation at the closing luncheon of the Eighteenth International Congress of Vexillology. The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Flaggenkunde e.V. accepted the plaque on behalf of the Neubecker family. DGF member Klaus Günther later delivered the plaque to Dr. Neubecker's widow, Irmgard Neubecker, who lives in Wiesbaden, Germany. Eleanor Fern, Dr. Crampton's daughter, accepted the plaque on behalf of the Crampton family. Ms. Fern lives in Chester, England. Further information on Drs. Neubecker and Crampton was published in *Info-FIAV* number 13, at page 1 (June 1999).

Respectfully submitted,



Charles Spain
FIAV Secretary-General
Houston, November 26, 2000

OFFICERS

Governing Board of the "International League of Vexillologists" (September 5, 1965 to September 3, 1967)

Louis Mühlemann† (Switzerland)
 Klaes Sierksma (Netherlands)
 Whitney Smith (United States)

Provisional Council (September 3, 1967 to September 7, 1969)

Louis Mühlemann† (Switzerland)	president
Klaes Sierksma (Netherlands)	vice-president
Whitney Smith (United States)	vice-president
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Arne Danielsson (Sweden)	councillor
Roger E. Harmignies (Belgium)	councillor
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Raffaele Natta-Soleri (Italy)	councillor
Georges Pasch (France)	councillor

Presidents

Louis Mühlemann† (Switzerland)	September 7, 1969	to	September 17, 1973 ³
Ottfried Neubecker† (Germany, West)	September 17, 1973	to	August 28, 1981
Hugh Boudin (Belgium)	August 28, 1981	to	August 27, 1993
William G. Crampton† (United Kingdom)	August 27, 1993	to	June 4, 1997 ⁴
vacant	June 4, 1997	to	August 14, 1997
Michel R. Lupant (Belgium)	August 14, 1997	to	present

Secretaries-General

Whitney Smith (United States)	September 7, 1969	to	August 28, 1981
Ottfried Neubecker† (Germany, West)	August 28, 1981	to	September 29, 1983
Whitney Smith (United States)	September 29, 1983	to	July 4, 1991
Emil Dreyer (Switzerland)	July 4, 1991	to	August 14, 1997
Charles A. Spain, Jr. (United States)	August 14, 1997	to	present

Secretaries-General for Congresses

Klaes Sierksma (Netherlands)	September 7, 1969	to	August 28, 1981
Whitney Smith (United States)	August 28, 1981	to	September 29, 1983
William G. Crampton† (United Kingdom)	September 29, 1983	to	September 27, 1989
Ralph G.C. Bartlett (Australia)	September 27, 1989	to	August 14, 1997
Bruce B. Berry (South Africa)	August 14, 1997	to	July 30, 1999
Graham Bartram (United Kingdom)	July 30, 1999	to	present

Councillors (abolished September 29, 1983)

Austria	Franz Kaindl	April 17, 1975	to	September 29, 1983
Belgium	Roger E. Harmignies	September 7, 1969	to	September 29, 1983
Canada	Harold A. Diceman	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
	Ralph Spence	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
Denmark	Christian Fogd Pedersen	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
Finland	Bo Tennberg	June 12, 1977	to	September 29, 1983
France	Georges Pasch	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
	Lucien Philippe	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
Germany, West	Ottfried Neubecker†	September 7, 1969	to	September 17, 1973
	Johannes Klein	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
Italy	Raffaele Natta-Soleri	September 7, 1969	to	April 17, 1975
	Mario Gibellini	April 17, 1975	to	September 29, 1983
Netherlands	Johannes Hendrik Rombacht	?	to	June 24, 1971 (interim, named by NvvV after GA 1)

³ Named Honorary President September 17, 1973.

⁴ Died in office.

Norway	Atle Grahl-Madsen†	June 24, 1971	to	September 29, 1983
Spain	Sebastián Herreros Agüi	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
Sweden	Leif Pålsson	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
	Walter Rydberg	April 18, 1975	to	June 12, 1977
Switzerland	Peter Mäder	June 12, 1977	to	September 29, 1983
	Louis Mühlemann†	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
United Kingdom	E.M.C. Barraclough†	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
	vacant	September 7, 1969	to	September 29, 1983
	William G. Crampton†	June 24, 1971	to	September 17, 1973
United States	William C. Spangler	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
		September 7, 1969	to	September 29, 1983

AWARDS

Laureates of the Federation (for outstanding contributions to vexillology)

E.M.C. Barraclough†	September 28, 1983
Whitney Smith	July 5, 1991
Ottfried Neubeckert†	August 2, 1999
William G. Crampton†	August 2, 1999

Vexillon (for the most important contribution to vexillology during the two years preceding an International Congress of Vexillology; sponsored by the Flag Society of Australia Inc.)

Bruce Nicolls	September 29, 1989
William G. Crampton†	July 5, 1991
María José Sastre y Arribas	August 25, 1993
Frederick G. Brownell	July 5, 1995
Aleš Brožek	August 15, 1997
Donald T. Healy and the editorial board and staff of <i>Raven: A Journal of Vexillology</i> who worked on "Flags of the Native People of the United States"	August 2, 1999

IAFM Award (for the most creative paper delivered at an International Congress of Vexillology; sponsored by the International Association of Flag Manufacturers)

Bruce B. Berry and Theodoulos S. Stylianides "Vexistats"	August 2, 1999
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International Congresses of Vexillology

	Venue	Dates	Organizer(s)
ICV 1	Muiderberg, Noord-Holland, Netherlands	September 4 - 5, 1965	Stichting voor Banistiek en Heraldiek
ICV 2	Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland	September 1 - 3, 1967	Gilde der Zürcher Heraldiker, Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde/Società Svizzera de Vexillologie/Società Svizzera di Vessillologia
ICV 3	Boston, Massachusetts, United States	September 5 - 7, 1969	The Flag Research Center, Heraldry Society of Canada, North American Vexillological Association, United States Flag Foundation
ICV 4	Torino, Piemonte, Italy	June 24 - 27, 1971	Accademia di San Marciano Sezione Vessillologica
ICV 5	London, England, United Kingdom	September 13 - 18, 1973	The Flag Institute
ICV 6	IJsselmeer, Flevoland, Netherlands	April 16 - 20, 1975	Stichting voor Banistiek en Heraldiek
ICV 7	Washington, District of Columbia, United States	June 10 - 14, 1977	The Flag Research Center, North American Vexillological Association
ICV 8	Wien, Wien, Austria	June 26 - 29, 1979	Gesellschaft für Österreichische Heereskunde
ICV 9	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada	August 24 - 28, 1981	The Flag Research Center, Heraldry Society of Canada, North American Vexillological Association
ICV 10	Oxford, England, United Kingdom	September 25 - 30, 1983	The Flag Institute, Heraldry Society Flag Section
ICV 11	Madrid, Madrid, Spain	May 26 - 31, 1985	Sociedad Española de Vexilología
ICV 12	San Francisco, California, United States	August 12 - 16, 1987	The Flag Research Center, North American Vexillological Association
ICV 13	Melbourne, Victoria, Australia	September 24 - 29, 1989	Flag Society of Australia Inc.
ICV 14	Barcelona, Catalunya, Spain	June 30 - July 5, 1991	Associació Catalana de Vexil·lologia
ICV 15	Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland	August 23 - 27, 1993	Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde/Société Suisse de Vexillologie/Società Svizzera di Vessillologia
ICV 16	Warszawa, Warszawa, Poland	July 1 - 5, 1995	Centrum Flagi Ziemi/Earth Flag Centre, The Flag Design Center, Polskie Towarzystwo Wexylogiczne
ICV 17	Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa	August 10 - 16, 1997	The Southern African Vexillological Association
ICV 18	Victoria, British Columbia, Canada	July 28 to August 2, 1999	The Canadian Flag Association/L'Association canadienne de vexillologie, North American Vexillological Association

FAIV General Assembly Sessions

GA 1	Boston, Massachusetts, United States	September 7, 1969
GA 2	Torino, Piemonte, Italy	June 24, 1971
GA 3	London, England, United Kingdom	September 14, 17, 1973
GA 4	IJsselmeer, Flevoland, Netherlands	April 17, 18, 1975
GA 5	Washington, District of Columbia, United States	June 12, 1977
GA 6	Wien, Wien, Austria	June 29, 1979
GA 7	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada	August 27, 28, 1981
GA 8	Oxford, England, United Kingdom	September 26, 28, 29, 1983
GA 9	Madrid, Madrid, Spain	May 27, 28, 31, 1985
GA 10	San Francisco, California, United States	August 13, 14, 15, 1987
GA 11	Melbourne and Ballarat, Victoria, Australia	September 25, 27, 1989
GA 12	Barcelona and Montserrat, Catalunya, Spain	July 1, 2, 4, 1991
GA 13	Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland	August 23, 25, 27, 1993
GA 14	Warszawa, Warszawa, Poland	July 1, 2, 3, 5, 1995
GA 15	Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa	August 11, 12, 14, 1997
GA 16	Victoria, British Columbia, Canada	July 29, 30, 1999

MEMBERS

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Periodical Publication: *Vexil·la Catalana* (Spanish; since 1985)

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Member Since: 1997 Aug 14
Membership Status: full
Territory: Canada
Periodical Publication: *The Private Signal* (English; irregular since 1996 Jan)
Notes: changed name on 1993 Aug 31 from Canadian Flag Institute

The Canadian Flag Association (CFA)
L'Association canadienne de vexillologie
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Established: 1985 Feb 6
Member Since: 1993 Aug 23
Membership Status: full
Territory: Canada
Periodical Publication: *Flagscan* (ISSN 0833-1510; English/French; quarterly since 1986)
Supplements: *Banderin* (ISSN 1492-8256; English; since 1999)
Dragonflags (ISSN 1492-840X; English; since 1999)
Ensign & Jack (ISSN 1492-8477; English; since 1998)
Flag City (ISSN 1492-837X; English; since 1998)
Flagnaut (ISSN 1492-8396; English; since 1998)
Flagsam (ISSN 1492-8388; English; since 1998)
Ifulegi (ISSN 1492-823X; English; since 1998)
Pavillonnerie (ISSN 1492-8248; French; since 1998)

Centre Belgo-Européen d'Études des Drapeaux (CEBED)

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Established: 1990 Apr 1
Member Since: 1993 Aug 23
Membership Status: full
Territory: Belgium
Periodical Publication: *Gaceta de Banderas* (Spanish/French/English; eight times a year since 1979 (in collaboration with Sociedad Española de Vexilología))

Centro Italiano Studi Vessillologici (CISV)

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Established: 1972 summer ?
Member Since: 1973 Sep 14
Membership Status: full
Territory: Italy
Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Italica* (Italian; since 1974)

Centrum Flagi Ziemi (CFZ)**Earth Flag Centre**

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Home Page: <http://www.paiz.gov.pl/wserwatowski>
Established: 1978 Oct 24
Member Since: 1995 Jul 3
Membership Status: associate
Territory: Poland
Periodical Publication: *Weksyli@na: Biuletyn informacyjny rynku flagowo - heraldycznego* (ISSN 1505-3784; Polish; since 1997; available online at www.paiz.gov.pl/wserwatowski)

Chesapeake Bay Flag Association (CBFA)

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Established: 1982 Nov 6 (informal), 1993 Nov 13 (formal)
Member Since: 1995 Jul 3
Membership Status: full
Territory: United States: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia
Periodical Publication: *The Flagship* (English; since 1993)

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Flaggenkunde e.V. (DGF)

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e-mail: webmaster@flaggenkunde.de
Home Page: <http://www.flaggenkunde.de>
Established: 1995 Feb 4
Member Since: 1997 Aug 12
Membership Status: full
Territory: Germany
Periodical Publications: *Der Flaggenkurier* (ISSN 0949-6173; German; semiannual since 1995)
DGF-Nachrichten (German; since 1995)

The Flag Design Center (FDC)

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Established: 1978 Sep 30
Member Since: 1981 Aug 27
Membership Status: full
Territory: Poland
Periodical Publication: none

The Flag Institute (FI)

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 Established: 1973 Apr 23
 Member Since: 1971 Jun 24
 Membership Status: full
 Territory: United Kingdom
 Periodical Publications: *Flagmaster* (ISSN 0142-1271; English; semiannual since 1978)
Flag Institute Bulletin (ISSN 0309-085X; English; irregular 1977 to 1978)
Flagmaster (ISSN 0142-5129; English; quarterly 1971 to 1975)
 Notes: formed from the Heraldry Society, Flag Section (HSFS)

The Flag Research Center (FRC)

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 Home Page: http://www.vexillopolis.com
 Established: 1962 Feb 1
 Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
 Membership Status: full
 Territory: United States
 Periodical Publications: *The Flag Bulletin* (ISSN 0015-3370; English; bimonthly since 1961)
Flag Specification Sheets (English; irregular since 1960)
End of the Year Review (English; annual since 1976)
News from the Vexillarium (English; irregular since 1982)
Flag Etiquette & Usage Standards (English; irregular since 1996)
Flag Information Sources (English; supplement to *The Flag Bulletin*; 1970 to 1973)
Flag Data Archives (English; 1969 to 1975)
Flag Bulletin Newsletter/Courier de drapeau/Flaggenmitteilungen (English; bimonthly supplement to *The Flag Bulletin*; 1967 to 1973)

Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka (FRCSL)

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 Established: 1975 Jul 1
 Member Since: 1977 Jun 12 (provisional); 1997 Sep 8 (full)
 Membership Status: full
 Territory: Sri Lanka
 Periodical Publication: *Flag* (1982 only)

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 Established: 1983 Aug 20
 Member Since: 1985 May 28
 Membership Status: full
 Territory: Australia
 Periodical Publication: *Crux Australis* (ISSN 0814-5008; English; bimonthly (1984-?); quarterly since ?)

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 Established: 1990 Mar 1, 1992 ? (registered as nonprofit foundation)
 Member Since: 1993 Aug 23 (associate); 1993 Aug 27 (full)
 Membership Status: full
 Territory: Argentina
 Periodical Publications: *Boletín CIDECA* (Spanish; bimonthly since 1992)
La Page Française (French; since 1992)
Anglo-American Journal (English; since 1995)

Great Waters Association of Vexillology (GWAV)

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 Home Page: <http://gwav.tripod.com>
 Established: 1991 May 11
 Member Since: 1999 Jul 29
 Membership Status: full
 Territory: United States: Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio
 Periodical Publication: *FlaGWAVer* (English; semiannual since 1996)
 Notes: changed name on 1996 Nov 6 from Great Waters Chapter (GWC) after NAVA voted not to establish chapters

Heraldica Slovenica (HS)

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Established: ?
Member Since: 1993 Aug 23
Membership Status: full
Territory: Slovenia
Periodical Publication: none
Notes: changed name on ? from Slovenski Ščit - HGV Club (SS)

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Established: ?
Member Since: 1993 Aug 23 (associate); 1993 Aug 27 (full)
Membership Status: full
Territory: Germany
Periodical Publications: *Kleeblatt: Zeitschrift für Heraldik und verwandte Wissenschaften* (German; since ?)
Jahrbuch—Heraldischer Verein "Zum Kleeblatt" von 1888 zu Hannover e.V. (ISSN 0341-9908; German; annual since ?)

The Heraldry and Vexilology Society of Malta (HAVSOM)

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Member Since: 1997 Aug 12
Membership Status: full
Territory: Malta
Periodical Publication: *It-Tarka u 'l-Bandiera/The Shield and the Flag* (English; since 1996)

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Established: 1996 Jun 23
Member Since: 1997 Aug 12
Membership Status: full
Territory: France: Brittany
Periodical Publication: *Ar Banniel* (ISSN 1274-5596; French/Breton; triannual since 1996)

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Member Since: 1997 Aug 12
Membership Status: associate
Territory: Germany
Periodical Publication: none

National Flag Foundation (NFF)

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USA

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Home Page: <http://www.americanflags.org>
Established: 1968 Mar 26
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Territory: United States
Periodical Publications: *The New Constellation* (ISSN 1048-7980; English; triannual since 1990)
Flag Plaza Standard (ISSN 0882-2220; English; triannual 1970 to 1990)
Notes: changed name on 1972 Apr 12 from Flag Plaza Foundation (FPF)

Nederlandse Vereniging voor Vlaggenkunde (NVvV)

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Home Page: <http://home.wxs.nl/~marksens/nvvv>
Established: 1966 Jun 19
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Territory: Netherlands
Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Nostra* (ISSN 1382-2497; Dutch; monthly/bimonthly 1966 to 1998)
Vlaggenijdschrift Vexilla Nostra (Dutch; quarterly since 1999)

New England Vexillological Association (NEVA)

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Home Page: <http://www.midcoast.com/~martucci/neva>
Established: 1991 Apr 21
Member Since: 1999 Jul 29
Membership Status: full
Territory: United States: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont
Periodical Publication: *New England Journal of Vexillology* (English; semiannual since 1995)

New Zealand Flag Association (NZFA)

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Established: 1994 Jan 16
Member Since: 1995 Jul 3
Membership Status: full
Territory: New Zealand
Periodical Publication: *Masthead* (ISSN 1173-1850; English; since 1994)
Notes: changed name on 1999 Jun 2 from The Flag Association of New Zealand/Te Roopu Haki Matua o Aotearoa (FANZ)

Nordisk Flaggselskap (NF)
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Home Page: <http://www.webstugan.se/nordflagg>
Established: 1973 Jan 27
Member Since: 1973 Sep 14
Membership Status: full
Territories: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden
Periodical Publications: *Nordisk Flagkontakt* (ISSN 0109-7539; multilingual; semiannual since 1985)
Nordisk Flaggskrift (ISSN 0108-7916; Danish; irregular since 1975)

North American Vexillological Association (NAVA)

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Home Page: <http://www.nava.org>
Established: 1967 Jun 3, 1968 Mar 19 (incorporated)
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Territories: Canada and United States
Periodical Publications: *NAVA News* (ISSN 1053-3338; English; bimonthly (1967-1999); quarterly since 2000)
Raven: A Journal of Vexillology (ISSN 1071-0043; English; annual since 1994)
NAVA Yearbook (English; annual 1973 to 1983)
NAVA Handbook (English; 1986 and 1989)

Partioheraldikot r.y. (PH)

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Established: 1972 Nov 22
Member Since: 1985 May 28
Membership Status: full
Territory: Finland
Periodical Publication: *Liehuvat Värät* (ISSN 0357-1432; Finnish; quarterly since 1970)

Polskie Towarzystwo Weksylologiczne (PTW)

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Established: 1992 Oct 10
Member Since: 1995 Jul 3
Membership Status: full
Territory: Poland
Periodical Publication: *Flaga* (Polish; ? : since 1999)

Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde (SSV)

Société Suisse de Vexillologie
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Home Page: <http://atlasgeo.span.ch/ssv/index.htm>
Established: 1967 Jan 21
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Territory: Switzerland
Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Helvetica* (German and French; since 1969)

Sociedad Española de Vexilología (SEV)

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Home Page: <http://www.arrakis.es/~sevex/sevhome.htm>
Established: 1977 Oct 31
Member Since: 1979 Jun 29
Membership Status: full
Territory: Spain
Periodical Publications: *Banderas* (ISSN 0213-0955; Spanish; quarterly since 1979)
Gaceta de Banderas (Spanish/French/English; eight times a year since 1979 (in collaboration with Centre Belgo-Européen d'Études des Drapeaux))

Societas Vexillologica Belgica (SVB)

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Type: association
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Established: 1977 Aug 30
Member Since: 1979 Jun 29
Membership Status: full
Territory: Belgium
Periodical Publications: *Vexilla Belgica* (ISSN 0772-3261; multilingual; annual; 1977 to 1993)
Vexillinfo (ISSN 0772-3253; multilingual; irregular; 1980 to 1990)

Societatea Română de Vexilologie (SRV)

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Established: 1998 Apr 3
Member Since: 1999 Jul 29
Membership Status: full
Territory: Romania
Periodical Publication: *Societatea Română de Vexilologie* (Romanian; annual since 1998)

Société française de vexillologie (SFV)

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Established: 1985 Mar 16
Member Since: 1991 Jul 1
Membership Status: full
Territory: France
Periodical Publications: *Franciae Vexilla* (ISSN 1270-0096; French; quarterly since 1996)
Emblèmes et pavillons (ISSN 0769-7864; French; quarterly 1985 to 1996)
Annuaire de la Société française de vexillologie (ISSN 0981-2180; French; 1986 only)

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The Southern African Vexillological Association (SAVA)

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Home Page: <http://www.netads.co.za/sava/vexil.htm> (under construction)
Established: 1990 Nov 26
Member Since: 1991 Jul 2
Membership Status: full
Territories: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, and Zimbabwe
Periodical Publications: *SAVA Journal* (English; annual since 1992)
SAVA Newsletter (English; triannual since 1991)

Tumbling Waters Museum of Flags (TWMF)

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Established: 1974 Jul 1
Member Since: 1975 Apr 17
Membership Status: full
Territory: United States
Periodical Publication: *Flags* (English; 1975 to 1978)

Українське геральдичне товариство (УНТ)**Ukrayins'ke Heral'dychne Tovarystvo****The Ukrainian Heraldry Society**

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Established: 1990 Jul 9
Member Since: 1995 Jul 3
Membership Status: full
Territory: Ukraine
Periodical Publication: *Знак (Znak)/The Sign* (Ukrainian; since 1993)

United States Flag Foundation (USFF)

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Established: 1942 Dec 31
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: full
Territory: United States
Periodical Publication: none
Notes: successor to the American Flag Association (AFA), which was established 1898 Feb 18 and changed name on 1924 Apr 10 to the United States Flag Association (USFA)

Västra Sveriges Heraldiska Sällskap (VSHS)

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Member Since: 1985 May 31
Membership Status: full
Territory: Sweden
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Established: 1972 Jan 29
Member Since: 1991 Jul 1 (honorary affiliate); 1993 Aug 23 (full)
Membership Status: full
Territory: Czech Republic
Periodical Publications: *Vexilologie* (ISSN 1211-2615; Czech (English translations of articles available); since 1972)
Vexilological Letters (Czech; irregular 1976 to 1989)
Vexilokontakt (Czech; irregular since 1989 (in collaboration with Støedisko Vexilologických Informací/Flag Data Centre))
Proceedings of the Czech National Congress on Vexillology (Czech; every four years since 1996)

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 Established: 1992 Nov 30
 Member Since: 1993 Aug 23
 Membership Status: full
 Territory: Germany
 Periodical Publication: *Flaggen, Wappen und Siegel* (ISSN 0948-3748; German; since 1986 (since 1992 as publication of WVRI) (in collaboration with Das Flaggenkabinett Berlin))

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 Established: 1994 Mar 19
 Member Since: 1995 Jul 5
 Membership Status: full
 Territory: Hungary
 Periodical Publication: *Zászlóvilág/Flagworld* (Hungarian; since ?)
 Notes: changed name on 1995 ? from Magyar Vexillológiai Társaság/Hungarian Vexillological Association (HUVA)

FORMER MEMBERS**Accademia di San Marignano, Sezione Vessillologica (ASM)**

Type: institution
 Established: 1967 summer ?
 Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
 Membership Status: former (removed 1987 Aug 13)
 Territory: Italy
 Periodical Publication: *Armi Antiche* (ISSN 0403-2268; multilingual; annual since 1954)
 Notes: Sezione Vessillologica ceased to be active 1975

Association française d'études internationale de vexillologie (AFEIV)

Type: association
 Established: 1966 Dec 2
 Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
 Membership Status: former (resigned 1987 ?)
 Territory: France
 Periodical Publication: *Vexillologia* (French; 1967 to 1975)
 Notes: changed name on 1969 Jul 28 from Association internationale d'études vexillologique (AIEV); ceased to be active in late 1975 or early 1976

Cumann Vexilleolaíoch na hÉireann (CVE)**Vexillological Society of Ireland**

Type: association
 Established: 1984 Mar 3
 Member Since: 1985 May 28
 Membership Status: former (resigned 1992 ?)
 Territory: Ireland
 Periodical Publication: *Irish Vexillology Newsletter* (?; 1984 to 1987)

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Type: institution
Established: 1972 ? (established as "study circle"), 1975 ? (became "constituted association")
Member Since: 1975 Apr 17
Membership Status: former (resigned 1997 Jan 3)
Territory: Austria
Periodical Publication: *Militaria Austriaca* (German; since 1977)

Heraldry Society, Flag Section (HSFS)

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United Kingdom

Type: association
Established: 1967 Sep 7
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: former (removed 1987 Aug 13)
Territory: United Kingdom
Periodical Publications: *Newsletter* (English; 1969 to ?)
Flagmaster (ISSN 0142-5129; English; quarterly; 1971 to 1975)
The Coat of Arms (English; quarterly since ?)
The Heraldry Gazette (English; quarterly since ?)
Notes: Flag Section ceased to be active 1972 Apr 11

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Type: institution
Established: 1942 May 4
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: former (resigned 1985 ?)
Territory: Belgium
Periodical Publications: *Le Parchemin* (?; since ?)
Le Héraut (?; since ?)
Le Recueil (?; since ?)

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Netherlands

Type: institution
Established: 1964 Jun 30
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)
Membership Status: former (resigned 1981 ? following ICV 9)
Territory: Netherlands

Wappen-Herold, Deutsche Heraldische Gesellschaft e.V. (WH)

Type: institution

Established: 1963 Nov 6

Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)

Membership Status: former (removed 1995 Jul 3)

Territory: Germany

Periodical Publication: *Der Tappert* (ISSN 0082-1705; German; irregular; 1964 to 1981)

STATUTES AND CONSTITUTION

The FIAV provisional council adopted provisional statutes on September 3, 1967. The FIAV statutes were formally adopted on September 7, 1969 and amended on September 29, 1983. The statutes were replaced by the current FIAV Constitution, which was adopted on September 27, 1989. The Constitution has been amended on August 12, 1997 and July 29, 1999.

The current text of the Constitution is set out below. It contains the exact text as adopted and amended.

CONSTITUTION OF THE FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES ASSOCIATIONS VEXILLOLOGIQUES

- I. NAME AND PURPOSES
- Art. 1 The name of this association is the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques, which is abbreviated as "FIAV." The official translations of FIAV's name are: International Federation of Vexillological Associations (English); Internationale Föderation Vexillologischer Gesellschaften (German); and Federación Internacional de Asociaciones Vexilológicas (Spanish).
- Art. 2 FIAV unites those associations and institutions throughout the world whose object is the pursuit of vexillology, which is the creation and development of a body of knowledge about flags of all types, their forms and functions, and of scientific theories and principles based on that knowledge.
- Art. 3 FIAV has as its purposes:
- (a) To create a strong bond among those associations and institutions and to encourage and coordinate their work, studies, and research;
 - (b) to promote the organization of International Congresses of Vexillology and to lend its support to their organizers;
 - (c) to encourage the creation in all countries of associations and institutions dedicated to vexillology; and
 - (d) to sanction international standards facilitating the development of these activities.
- Art. 4 FIAV, being strictly scientific, has no commercial ends and renounces any political or religious activity or stand.
- II. HEADQUARTERS
- Art. 5 The administrative headquarters of FIAV are located at the residences of its two Secretaries-General. If necessary, the General Assembly may establish a legal headquarters for FIAV.
- III. MEMBERSHIP
- Art. 6 An applicant for membership in FIAV:
- (a) must be an organization of the type expressed in article 2;
 - (b) must be committed to the purposes of FIAV expressed in article 3; and
 - (c) must be constituted in conformity with the laws of the country where it is located.
- Art. 7
- (a) Full membership in FIAV is open to any association or institution anywhere in the world having as its principal purpose the scientific study of vexillology. Associate membership in FIAV is open to other associations or institutions anywhere in the world having vexillology as a center of subsidiary interest.
 - (b) The processing of membership applications is the responsibility of the Board. The Board may delegate this responsibility to a person appointed by it for this purpose. The procedure consists of the following:
 - (1) The applicant shall submit a membership application, which must be received by the Board no later than six months before the convening of the next session of the General Assembly.

- (2) The Board shall consider the application and make a recommendation to the General Assembly relative to the applicant and shall communicate that recommendation to the applicant and to existing Members not later than three months before the convening of the next session of the General Assembly.
 - (3) The Board may recommend acceptance of the applicant as a Full Member, as an Associate Member, or may recommend rejection of the application.
 - (4) The General Assembly at its next session shall vote on the application. An authorized representative of the applicant may appear at the session to represent its case. A rejected applicant has the right to reapply for membership at any later session of the General Assembly.
- (c) The Board and the General Assembly, in making their decisions about an applicant, shall have regard to the following:
- (1) the existence of a written constitution and its provisions;
 - (2) the vexillological and non-vexillological activities of the applicant, including meetings, publications, and international relations;
 - (3) in the case of an association, the number of its dues-paying members (minimum of five);
 - (4) registration of its members in International Congresses of Vexillology;
 - (5) the length of time it has existed; and
 - (6) the presence of an autochthonous and authorized representative of the applicant at the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a vote on the application.
- Art. 8 The voluntary resignation of any Member must be received in writing by the President. The resignation is effective on the date of its receipt.
- Art. 9 At its discretion, the Board may require a Member to furnish evidence of its continued qualification for membership under the terms set forth in article 7. On the basis of this evidence, the Board may make a recommendation to the General Assembly on the continuation or modification of the membership of the association or institution. If the recommendation is made to remove a Member from FIAV or change its status from full to associate membership, the Member in question must be notified at least three months in advance of the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a vote on the matter. The Member shall be invited to present its defense before the General Assembly, but shall not participate in the vote on the matter.
- Art. 10 Each Member regulates its own affairs in complete freedom, limited only by the laws in effect in the territory where it functions. FIAV may not limit the rights of the Members in this respect.
- Art. 11 Members shall not undertake any activities contrary to the interests of FIAV.
- Art. 12
- (a) FIAV may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of FIAV.
 - (b) Members may not hold international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. Notwithstanding this prohibition, a Member holding a vexillological meeting in any year in which no International Congress of Vexillology is held may invite participation by a Member from a contiguous country.
- Art. 13 The General Assembly may name as "Laureates of the Federation" persons who have made outstanding contributions to vexillology. The General Assembly may delegate this power to the Board. The status as a Laureate does not confer any right within FIAV.
- IV. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
- Art. 14
- (a) The General Assembly is composed of the Officers together with a delegate from

each of the Full and Associate Members. Each delegate must present to the President written credentials from the Member represented. A Member may delegate any or all of its powers in writing to a delegate from any other Member or to an Officer.

(b) A session of the General Assembly is not constituted unless delegates of at least half of the Full Members are present, except as provided for in article 25.

(c) Each Full Member and each Officer is entitled to one vote in the General Assembly.

Art. 15 Majorities in the General Assembly consist of the following fractions of those Full Members present and voting:

(a) A simple majority in the election of Officers. If more than two candidates stand for election for an Office and no candidate receives a simple majority, then the candidate with the least votes shall be eliminated from the next ballot, and so on.

(b) Two-thirds for ordinary resolutions.

(c) Three-quarters for amendments to the Constitution or dissolution of FIAV.

Art. 16 The General Assembly:

(a) elects Officers;

(b) examines and approves the administration of the Board and the Commissions;

(c) examines all questions concerning FIAV and in particular the organization of the International Congresses of Vexillology;

(d) interprets the Constitution;

(e) names Laureates of the Federation pursuant to article 13 and awards such other distinctions as it deems appropriate to persons or institutions who have shown particular merit in the field of vexillology (this power may be delegated to the Board); and

(f) determines the amount and disposition of the annual dues, if any, to be paid by Members; and

(g) establishes such Commissions as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners.

Art. 17 The General Assembly holds a session at least once every two years, normally on the occasion of each International Congress of Vexillology. The Board convenes a session of the General Assembly. The Board must give notice of the agenda, including any amendments to the Constitution or motion to dissolve FIAV, to all Members at least three months in advance of the session.

Art. 18 The General Assembly may be called into an emergency session if extraordinary conditions require this, as determined by the Board, or if three-quarters of the Full Members request this of the Board.

V. ADMINISTRATION

Art. 19 (a) The administration of FIAV is entrusted to a Board which acts only by unanimous agreement. The Board is composed of three Officers: the President, the Secretary-General, and the Secretary-General for Congresses.

(b) The Officers are elected at the end of each session of the General Assembly and serve until the election of the new Officers at the next session of the General Assembly. Consent of the candidates for election is required. The Officers are eligible for re-election.

(c) The Secretary-General and the Secretary-General for Congresses must reside on different continents. The Secretary-General manages the Permanent Secretariat of FIAV and the Secretary-General for Congresses manages the Permanent Secretariat of the International Congresses of Vexillology. The Board is considered to be in continuous session, conducted by correspondence.

- (d) If an Officer dies, resigns, or is mentally or physically incapable of carrying out the duties of the office, those duties shall be performed by the remaining Officers.

Art. 20

The Board:

- (a) manages the current affairs of FIAV and establishes the duties and obligations of its Officers;
- (b) issues directives which it considers necessary to the success of the activities of FIAV, including the International Congresses of Vexillology;
- (c) establishes such Commissions as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners;
- (d) convenes sessions of the General Assembly pursuant to articles 17 and 18;
- (e) represents FIAV in its relations with other national and international institutions; and
- (f) manages membership procedures pursuant to article 7 and encourages vexillological associations and institutions to apply for FIAV membership.

Art. 21

FIAV's assent to an agreement imposing a binding obligation on FIAV may only be given by a written document signed by all Officers. Current correspondence may be signed by any single Officer.

VI.

LANGUAGES

Art. 22

The official languages of FIAV and the International Congresses of Vexillology are English, French, German, and Spanish. Other languages may be used when appropriate.

VII.

PUBLICATIONS

Art. 23

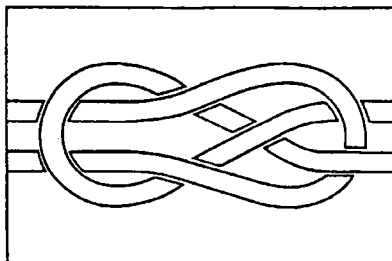
The official journal of FIAV is *The Flag Bulletin* (ISSN 0015-3370). In addition, FIAV shall publish a newsletter concerning its activities at least once a year for the benefit of its Members, which may be freely reproduced. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other publications.

VIII.

SYMBOLS

Art. 24

- (a) FIAV's flag is described as follows: "On a blue field, extending horizontally from hoist to fly, two yellow halyards forming two interlaced loops." The color blue is defined as Pantone Matching System U293 and the color yellow is defined as Pantone Matching System U123. The Flag is illustrated as follows:



- (b) The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other symbols for FIAV.

IX.

DISSOLUTION

Art. 25

- (a) A motion to dissolve FIAV may be considered only at a session of the General

Assembly at which delegates of at least three-quarters of the Full Members are present.

- (b) Instead of sending a delegate, a Full Member may chose to submit to the President a written, notarized statement expressing that Member's vote in favor of, or in opposition to, the motion to dissolve. A Full Member that submits any such statement shall be considered present at the session for the purpose of determining that the session is constituted to consider a motion to dissolve.
- (c) The General Assembly establishes the terms of the dissolution.

Adopted September 27, 1989 by the Eleventh Session of the General Assembly held during the Thirteenth International Congress of Vexillology at Ballarat, Victoria, Australia.

Amended August 12, 1997 (article 14 a)) by the Fifteenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Seventeenth International Congress of Vexillology at Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa.

Amended July 29, 1999 (adding new article 1 and renumbering and amending remaining articles) by the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Eighteenth International Congress of Vexillology at Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

FLAG INFORMATION CODE

The Flag Information Code was adopted on August 27, 1981. The code has been amended only once, on July 5, 1995. The current text of the code is set out below. It contains the exact text as adopted and amended.

The International Federation of Vexillological Associations officially recognizes the following Flag Information Code and recommends its use to its members, to individual vexillologists, and to publishers and others concerned for flags.

FLAG INFORMATION CODE

- I. It is clearly understood that use of the Code in no way is indented to substitute for a complete textual exposition of the information to which the symbols of the Code refer.
- II. The purposes of the Code are:
 - A. To allow basic information about flags to be recorded and transmitted concisely, accurately, and in a manner which insofar as possible eliminates misunderstandings and which is both comprehensible to persons knowing different languages and easy to learn;
 - B. To standardize knowledge of flags in order to facilitate comparative studies of flag characteristics;
 - C. To provide a convenient system for researchers, publishers, and others to record data for personal use and for exchanges and publication of information.
 - D. To eliminate insofar as possible the confusion existing in terminology employed by governments and others when reference is made to different flags and flag uses.

III. FLAG COLORS

- A. The following letters are adopted for use to indicate the colors of a flag in illustrations:

R	(red)
O	(orange)
Y	(yellow)
V	(green)
B	(blue)
P	(purple)
N	(black)
W	(white)
G	(grey)
M	(brown)
Au	(gold)

Ag (silver)

- B. Colors other than those listed shall be written out in full.
- C. The following symbols are adopted for use in illustrations to indicate approximate color shades of a flag:
 - (light)
 - (very light)
 - + (dark)
 - ++ (very dark)
- D. The letters used without any symbol indicate a medium, normal, or unknown shade of the color.

IV. FLAG PROPORTIONS

The following system of identification is adopted for use as part of illustrations of flags of all kinds to indicate relative proportions. The first figure corresponds to the width of the flag, which is defined as the side normally attached to the pole or staff. Thus a flag with a width of 3 units and a length of 5 units shall be written

3x5 (hand-written form)
3:5 (printed version)

V. NATIONAL FLAG TYPOLOGY

- A. The following symbol is adopted for use in illustrations of flags whose primary purpose is to identify nationality rather than some other characteristic (such as the rank of an individual or the existence of a government or military institution or unit or some other concept):



- B. The grid indicates the six basic uses of flags of nationality, i.e. use by private citizens, by public institutions, and by military institutions on land and the corresponding usages at sea. Private, public, and military use are indicated from left to right by the three vertical columns; use on land and at sea are indicated by the top and bottom horizontal columns, respectively.
- C. The grid is to be written or printed in the line of identifying text near an illustration of a flag, together with the symbol indicating proportions. The use of the flag design illustrated for one or more of the six uses shall be indicated by placing a point (•) in the appropriate area or areas of the grid in printed versions and an x in the appropriate area or areas in a hand-written version.
- D. The following symbol is adopted for use, as appropriate, in illustrations of flags which identify civil and/or military aircraft and air installations, a point (•) or x in the appropriate vertical column above the top horizontal line indicating the usage:



- VI. Changes and additions to the Code may be adopted only by a General Assembly of the International Federation of Vexillological Associations. When possible, all such modifications shall be discussed fully in advance by all participants at the International Congress of Vexillology during which the General Assembly is held. Member associations and individual vexillologists are encouraged to consider desirable modifications based on actual experience in using the Code.

Adopted August 27, 1981 by the Seventh Session of the General Assembly held during the Ninth International Congress of Vexillology at Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.

Amended July 5, 1995 (III. A.) by the Fourteenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Sixteenth International Congress of Vexillology at Warsaw, Poland.