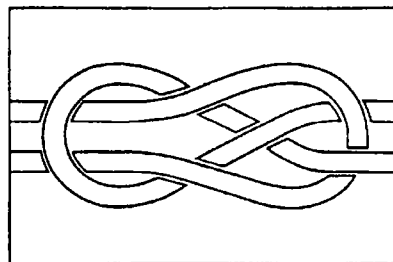

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HOST NEEDED FOR ICV 21 IN 2005

The Heraldry and Vexilology Society of Malta regretfully informed the FIAV Board that HAVSOM will be unable to host the 21st International Congress of Vexillology in 2005. HAVSOM has indicated it would like to host ICV 22 in 2007. Any FIAV Member or other qualified organization or institution interested in hosting ICV 21 is encouraged to contact the Secretary-General for Congresses as soon as possible (see contact information on page 12).

AGENDA FOR THE EIGHTEENTH SESSION OF THE FIAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO BE CONVENED JULY 28, 2003 STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

It is the responsibility of each FIAV Member to forward a copy of this agenda to the person who will serve as the Member's delegate to the General Assembly.

Note: On July 23, 2001, the General Assembly at its Seventeenth Session in York, England, United Kingdom, adopted *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISBN 0-7710-8336-X) on a permanent basis.

1. Call to order by President; official opening of the Eighteenth Session
2. Verification by the President of written credentials of delegates from FIAV Members
3. Roll call of delegates; recognition of quorum by Secretary-General; declaration by President that the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly is constituted
4. Appointment by President of tellers to count votes
5. Approval of the minutes of the Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly held July 23, 2001 in York, England, United Kingdom (published in *Info-FIAV* number 19, August 2001)
6. Reports by the Board:
 - (a) President (Michel Lupant) (including resignation of USFF effective 28 Apr 03)
 - (b) Secretary-General (Charles Spain)
 - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses (Graham Bartram)
7. Announcements:
 - (a) proposals to host ICV 21 (2005) (HAVSOM has informed the Board that it cannot continue as host)
 - (b) proposals to host ICV 22 (2007)
 - (c) proposals to host ICV 23 (2009)

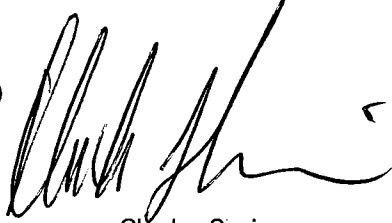
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- (d) candidates for FIAV membership (arranged in order membership applications were received):
 - (i) Flag Heritage Foundation (FHF) (received 20 Jan 2003) (see page 6)
 - (ii) Association Réunionnaise de Vexillologie (ARA) (received 21 Jan 2003) (see page 7)
 - (iii) Russian Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry (RCVH) (received 23 Jan 2003) (see page 8)
 - (iv) Středisko vexilologických informací/ Flag Data Centre (SVI) (received 27 Jan 2003) (see pages 9 to 10)
- (e) candidates for the FIAV Board
 - (i) President
 - (ii) Secretary-General
 - (iii) Secretary-General for Congresses
- 8. Report on ICV 21
- 9. Consideration of candidates for membership:
 - (a) FHF
 - (b) ARA
 - (c) RCVH
 - (d) SVI

Note: New Members may vote only after all candidates for membership have been considered.
- 10. Selection of ICV 21 (2005) host
- 11. Selection of ICV 22 (2007) host
- 12. Discussion about ICV 23 (2009) host
- 13. Discussion about publication of ICV proceedings in general and specific status of proceedings from:

ICV 5	1973	London, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 9	1981	Ottawa, Canada	FRC, Heraldry Society of Canada, NAVA
ICV 16	1995	Warszawa, Poland	CFZ, FDC, PTW
ICV 19	2001	York, England, United Kingdom	FI
- 14. Disappearance of FIAV flag
- 15. Election of 2003-2005 Board:
 - (a) President
 - (b) Secretary-General
 - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses
- 16. Final adjournment of the Eighteenth Session by President (new Board takes office)



Charles Spain
 FIAV Secretary-General
 Houston, June 2, 2003

COMMENTS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA

Item 2: Every FIAV Member is **strongly** encouraged to appoint a delegate and alternate to represent it in Stockholm. If no person from a FIAV Member is able to come to Stockholm, that FIAV Member is **strongly** encouraged to appoint as its delegate either the delegate of another FIAV Member or one of the three FIAV Officers.

Credentials may be mailed in advance to the FIAV President (see page 12 for address), but copies must also be brought to Stockholm. If credentials are mailed to the President, the credentials must be **received** by the President **on or before July 14, 2003**. If at all possible, credentials should be on the Member's official stationery.

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The suggested form of written credentials is as follows:

To the President of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques:

[Choose one of following two paragraphs:]

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] appoints [name of person (and alternate, if desired)], who is a member of [name of FIAV Member association or institution], as its delegate to the Eighteenth Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened July 28, 2003, in Stockholm, Sweden. [or]

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] regrets that none of its members is able to attend the Eighteenth Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened July 28, 2003, in Stockholm, Sweden. [Name of FIAV Member association or institution] therefore names as its delegate to the General Assembly [name of person], who is also the delegate of [name of other FIAV Member association or institution] [or] who is also the FIAV President [or] Secretary-General [or] Secretary-General for Congresses.

[Delegate's name] has full powers to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly [or] The powers of [delegate's name] to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Eighteenth Session of the General Assembly are limited as follows: [describe].

[signature of authorized representative of FIAV Member association or institution]
[printed name]
[title]
[date]
[seal (optional)]

Item 5: The Secretary-General proposes the following: "That the minutes of the Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly, as published in *Info-FIAV* number 19, August 2001, be approved with the following two amendments: (1) page 2, line 21, change from 'Gustac Tracchia' to 'Gustav Tracchia' and (2) page 11; lines 59 and 60, change from "That the Board's proposal to name persons as 'Fellows of the Federation' be adopted." to "That the Board's proposal to name persons as 'Fellows of the Federation' and delegate to the Board the authority to name persons as 'Laureates of the Federation,' be adopted."

Item 6: The Board will present both oral and written reports in Stockholm.

Item 7: The following Members have indicated their interest in hosting ICV 22 (2007): DGF in Berlin, Germany; CIDEA in Buenos Aires, Argentina; HAVSOM in Valletta, Malta; and NZFA in Christchurch, New Zealand. The Board has not received any formal proposals to host ICV 23 (2009). The President, Michel R. Lupant, Secretary-General, Charles A. Spain, Jr., and Secretary-General for Congresses, Graham Bartram, announce their intention to stand for re-election.

Item 9: The Board has summarized the membership applications as they relate to the criteria set out in article 7(c) of the FIAV Constitution as follows:

Candidate name	Constitution	Interest in vexillology; Activities	Dues-paying members	Registration at past ICVs	Existence since	Representative at Stockholm
FHF	trust declaration	principle; research, maintenance of flag collection, consulting on flags and flag information to other groups, and journal	none (institution)	yes	1971	yes
ARV	constitution	principle; unknown	15	no	1998	unknown

RCVH	statutes	principle; journal and website	23	no	1975	yes
SVI	unknown	principle; journal	none (institution)	yes	1994	yes

The Board has not made any recommendations concerning candidates for membership at this time.

Item 12: The Board continues to believe FIAV should do whatever is necessary to ensure that the proceedings of all International Congresses of Vexillology are published. The following proceedings are still unpublished or only partially published:

ICV 5	1973	London, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 9	1981	Ottawa, Canada	FRC, Heraldry Society of Canada, NAVA
ICV 16	1995	Warszawa, Poland	CFZ, FDC, and PTW
ICV 19	2001	York, England, United Kingdom	FI

ICV5: FI has admitted it does not know the status of the 1973 proceedings. FRC has 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 has said it would publish a list of those papers in *The Flag Bulletin*.

ICV 16: CFZ has published part of the proceedings on the World Wide Web at www.paiz.gov.pl/wserwatowski:

Weksyli@na number 2/17/1999:

Krzysztof Braun, "Die Wappensymbolik der Stadte Nordmasowiens," pages 1-2

Aleř Brożek, "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, "Declaration de Varsovie sur la necessite de reglementer le protocole et les caracteristiques des drapeaux," page 4

Weksyli@na number 5/20/1999:

Anibal Gotelli, "Bases y Propuestas para el Progreso de la Vexilologa y la Organizacion de la Comunidad Vexilologica 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

ICV 19: Publication by FI pending.

Item 14: The Board is extremely concerned by the disappearance of the FIAV Congress flag sometime after the closing luncheon of ICV 18 (Victoria, British Columbia, Canada 1999) and before the opening ceremonies of ICV 19 (York, England, United Kingdom 2001). Then-Secretary General for Congresses Bruce Berry passed the flag from the ICV 18 hosts (CFA and NAVA) to the ICV 19 host (FI) in Victoria, but its location since that time is unknown. The Board believes the flag must either be found or replaced.

CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP

Flag Heritage Foundation (FHF)

P.O. Box 131
WINCHESTER MA 01890-0131
USA
Type: institution
President/Other: Thomas M. Hill, Jr., chairman of the board
Telephone: +1 (781) 729-9410
Fax: +1 (781) 721-4817
Established: July 30, 1971
Territory: United States
Periodical Publications: *The Standard* (English; irregular; since 2002)

Association Réunionnaise de Vexillologie (ARA)

B.P. 486
97449 SAINT-PIERRE CEDEX
Réunion
Type: association
President/Other: Vincent Defaud, president
Telephone: +262 25 35 32 (Vincent Defaud)
Fax: +262 25 65 27 (Vincent Defaud)
e-mail: vincent.defaud@wanadoo.fr (Vincent Defaud)
Established: October 15, 1998
Territory: France: Réunion
Periodical Publication: none

Российский Центр флаговедения и геральдики/Russian Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry (RCVH)

Type: institution
President/Other: Yu. Kurasov, co-chairman
Mikhail Revnivitsev, co-chairman
Victor Lomantsov, co-chairman
e-mail: revnivitsev@engelsmo.san.ru (Mikhail Revnivitsev)
Home Page: <http://www.vexillographia.narod.ru> and <http://www.heraldicum.narod.ru>
Established: 1975 as Volgo Vexillology Club
Territory: Russia
Periodical Publications: *Flag* (Russian; 1976 to 1977)
Notes: changed name on ? 1991 from Volga Vexillology Club (VVC)

Støedisko Vexilologických Informací (SVI)

Flag Data Centre

c/o Petr Exner
Havlíčková 294
500 02 Hradec Králove
Czech Republic
Type: Institution
President/Other: Petr Exner, director
Secretary: Jaroslav Martykan
e-mail: petr.exner@uhk.cz (Petr Exner)
Home Page: <http://web.uhk.cz/cvp/fdc/fdc.htm>
Established: March 1994
Territory: Czech Republic
Periodical Publications: *Vexilokontakt* (Czech; irregular; since 1989 (in collaboration with Vexilologický Klub))
vexilINFO (Czech with English summary; bimonthly; since 1994)
Vexilologický lexikon (Czech; semiannual; since 1996)

On January 20, 2003, the Secretary-General received the following letter:

The Flag Heritage Foundation
Box 131, Winchester, Mass. 01890 U.S.A.

17 January 2003

Mr. Charles Spain
Fédération Internationale des
Associations Vvexillologiques
504 Branard St.
Houston TX 77006-5018

Dear Mr. Spain:

This letter is a formal application for membership in the International Federation of Vexillological Associations from the Flag Heritage Foundation. In accord with application requirements expressed in the FIAV Constitution, I am addressing our standing and qualifications.

The Flag Heritage Foundation is devoted exclusively to vexillology, the scientific study of flags. Our commitment is expressed in the trust declaration which was reproduced in the first issue of *The Standard*, our newsletter. A copy of that newsletter has been sent to every FIAV member organization or institution. The Foundation was established in 30 July 1971 as a not-for-profit trust and received recognition as a 501(C)3 organization from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.

The vexillological activities of the Foundation were set forth extensively in *The Standard* and in the reprint of that material which appeared in No. 207 of *The Flag Bulletin*. Since the Foundation is not a membership organization, it holds no meetings, but it has undertaken a number of significant activities. Below is a list of the more salient work we have done:

- Design and funding of a major permanent flag exhibit at the State House, the capitol of Massachusetts.
- Development of a collection of approximately 1300 flags, preserving the collections previously created by John Wanamaker and Dr. Clarence R. Rungee, as well as the Forster Flag, one of the most important colors in American history.
- Provision of information to the general public and to organizations concerning all aspects of flags, especially etiquette and protocol.
- Editorial assistance to the Boy Scouts of America and to the Continuing Education Institute for flag books they published.
- Loan of flags to various institutions for public display.
- Work with several government and non-profit institutions for the development of a possible flag museum.
- Assessment and identification of several historical flags owned by museums.

In addition to our newsletter, the Foundation has been finalizing plans for its web site (standards.org) which will make unique contributions to scientific vexillology. We will be appointing a representative to speak on our behalf at the XX International Congress of Vexillology.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas M. Hill, Jr.
Chairman of the Board

/s/ Thomas M. Hill, Jr.

cc: Mr. Michel R. Lupant
FIAV President

Mr. Graham M. P. Bartram
FIAV Secretary-General for Congresses

On January 21, 2003, The Secretary-General received the following letter:

Association Pour un Emblème et une Devise pour la Réunion
C/O BP 486 - 97449 Saint-Pierre Cedex (Réunion)
☎ 0 262 25 35 32 ☎ 0 262 25 65 27
Mail : vincent.defaud@wanadoo.fr
Or radio.pikan@wanadoo.fr



Object : candidature of ARV (association réunionnaise de vexillologie) to FIAV

Charles SPAIN / General Secretary of FIAV
504 Bra nard st - Houston TX 77006-5018 - USA
sec.gen@fiav.org

Sir,

This is our official letter to apply for FIAV (Fédération Internationale des Associations de Vexillologie)

Our association was created on 15 October 1998

You can find a enclosures our constitution.

There are 15 adherents in our association.

The objective of "Association Réunionnaise de Vexillologie" is to promote reunionnese culture by all the legal ways.

There's actually no review or bulletin of ARV(Association Réunionnaise de Vexillologie).

If you want to have more in formations about A.R.V., please contact us by e-mail (vincent.defaud@wanadoo.fr or radio.pikan@wanadoo.fr)

Thank you for all.

Salutations

NB: Sorry for our English langage

President of ARV
M. Vincent DEFAUD

On January 23, 2003, The Secretary-General received the following e-mail:

Subj: Re: join to FIAV
Date: 1/23/2003 12:34:28 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: "Mikhail Revnivitsev" <revnivitsev@engelsmo.san.ru>
To: <Caspainjr@aol.com>
File: rcfg_ani.gif
Sent from the Internet (Details)

Mr.Charles Spain,
FIAV Secretary-General

Dear Sir!

We, Russian Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry (RCVH), want be members of FIAV.
We ask You to help us.
RCVH is a public society. Our aim is study of flags and coats of arms of Russia and other states of the world.

RCVH was founded in 1975 as Volgo Vexillology Club.
Modern name of our society (Russian Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry) was approved in 1991.
Statutes of RCVH were adopted in 1991 too.
Now we have 23 members from Russia (most of them), Belarus, Ukraine and Latvia. Now three main parts of RCVH:
• "The Symbol' Interregional Scientist Research Creative Centre of Political History, Vexillology, Heraldry and Cartography (Volgograd, Yury Kurasov, president, kurasov@vlink.ru);
• Volga Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry (Engels-city, Region of Saratov, Mikhail Revnivitsev, director, revnivitsev@engelsmo.san.ru)
• South-Ural Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry (Orenburg, Victor Lomantsov, director, vikloman@mail.esoo.ru)

In 1976-1977 our society issued the bulletin "Flag" (later closed by communist regime). In 1978-2002 we published our articles in czech "Vexilologie" and "vexiINFO", spanish "Gaceta de banderas". In 2003 bulletin "Flag" will be restored.

Our official WEB-pages:
www.vexillographia.narod.ru (flags)
and
www.heraldicum.narod.ru (coats of arms)

We have a flag adopted in 1991. It consists from 5 red, blue and white wedges outgoing from lower hoist part of the flag. Blue wedges symbolize letter "V", first letter in the word "vexillology" (see added image)

We know all Constitution of the FIAV and support it.

Mr.Victor Lomantsov will be our official representative on the Congress in Stockholm.

Sincerely Yours - co-chairmans of RCVH
Yu.Kurasov
M.Revnivitsev
V.Lomantsov



On January 27, 2003, The Secretary-General received the following letter:

STŘEDISKO VEXILOLOGICKÝCH INFORMACÍ

FLAG DATA CENTRE, Ing. Petr Exner, Havlíčkova 294, 500 02 Hradec Králové, Czech Republic

Charles A. Spain
Sec.-Gen FIAV
504 Branard Street
Houston, Texas 77006-5018
U.S.A.

Matt.: Membership in the FIAV

Hradec Králové 24. 01. 2003

Dear Sir,

Hereby I send you our application for membership and information needed for our membership in the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques.

The Flag Data Centre meets requirements set for the FIAV membership as stipulated in the articles Nos: 2 and 3 of the FIAV Constitution.

The Flag Data Centre (FLADAC) was established in March 1994 in Hradec Králové (Czech Republic) by Petr Exner. FLADAC mainly searches a useful way for the use of computers in vexillology. In 1994 and 1995 FLADAC published 27 one-page INFORMACE bulletin with actual information from vexillology. Since 1996 FLADAC has published bi-monthly bulletin vexiINFO.

FLADAC prepared 1. Czech National Vexillological Congress in Hradec Králové in May 1996 in collaboration with the Vexillological Club in Prague and the Museum of Eastern Bohemia.

Since 1996 FLADAC is systematically interested in publication of Czech communal flags in the edition of the Vexillological Lexicon. Director of the FLADAC is working as an expert of the Parliamentary Sub-Committee of the House of Deputies of the Czech Republic for heraldry and vexillology.

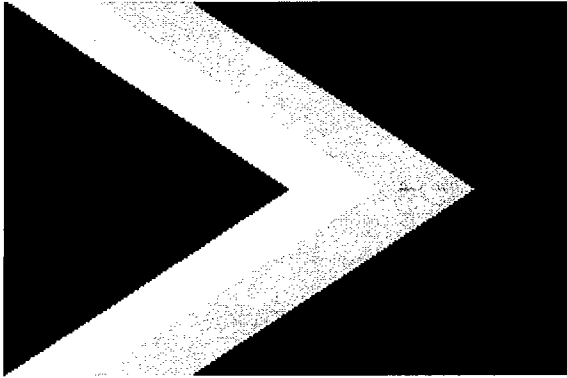
Name:	Středisko vexilologických informací (SVI)
Name in English:	Flag Data Centre (FLADAC)
Address:	Petr Exner Havlíčková 294 500 02 Hradec Králové Czech Republic
Type:	institution
Director:	Petr Exner
Secretary:	Jaroslav Martykan
e-mail:	petr.exner@uhk.cz
www-pages:	web.uhk.cz/cvp/fdc.htm
Established:	March 1994
Territory:	Czech Republic
Periodical Publication:	vexiINFO (bulletin, bimonthly, since 1994) in Czech with English summary Vexilologický lexikon / Vexillological Lexicon (twice per year, since fall 1996) in Czech
Web activities:	Czech Vexillological Pages (http://web.uhk.cz/cvp)

With my best regards

Petr Exner

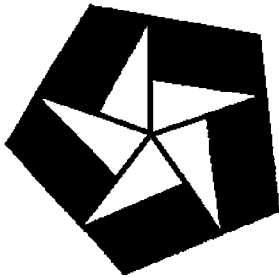
SYMBOLS OF FLADAC

Flag:



The flag of FLADAC is blue with three V-shape fields in colors of the town Hradec Kralové (white, yellow and red). V's are for vexillology, publishing and computers (in Czech: vexilologie, vydavatelská činnost a výpočetní technika).

Logo:



Five stylized flags create logo of the FLADAC with flagstaff in pentagon. Five flags symbolize five continents (Eurasia, America, Asia, Africa and Antarctic) over them the flags flown. The flagstaves joined in one point - this symbolizes focus on vexillological information. Logo is in one color only.

RESIGNATION OF UNITED STATES FLAG FOUNDATION

On April 25, 2003, the Secretary-General received the following letter concerning the United States Flag Foundation (USFF), a FIAV charter Member. The Secretary-General forwarded the letter to the FIAV President, who received it on April 28, 2003. Pursuant to article 8 of the FIAV Constitution, USFF's resignation became effective when received by the President on April 28, 2003.

April 21, 2003

Charles Spain, Secretary-General
Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques
504 Branard Street
Houston, Texas 77006-5018

Dear Kin:

National Flag Foundation hereby announces the discontinuation of the United States Flag Foundation as a viable, operating entity. The United States Flag Foundation was registered in 1973 to serve as a representative of the flag manufacturing industry. Since that time, the United States Flag Foundation has served the industry by informing them of flag manufacturing import data.

In 2002, National Flag Foundation decided to discontinue the services assigned to United States Flag Foundation and place their total focus and energy on patriotic education. As such, the United States Flag Foundation should not be represented as a viable entity at FIAV.

The National Flag Foundation is still a viable, operating entity and will be represented at FIAV by Mr. Edward Kaye.

We appreciate the opportunity to be associated with vexillologists throughout the world. Thank you for your interest in National Flag Foundation. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

David L. White
Executive Director

Cc: Edward Kaye

DERKWILLEM VISSER, JR. (1951-2001)

It is with great sadness and deep emotion that I have learned of the death of my friend Derkwillem Visser, Jr., president and founder of the Vlaggen Dokumentatie Centrum Nederland, which was admitted this year into FIAV. Derkwillem passed away at the age of 50 on November 24, 2001. I knew him for a long time. We exchanged our first letters in 1984, and for more than ten years I visited him annually in Amsterdam. It was always a great pleasure to see him. He was always friendly, and our discussions went on late into the night.

Derkwillem's passion for vexillology made him one of the greatest vexillologists of his country. He regularly published his magazine *Vlaggen-Info* (formerly known as *Info-Bulletin*), and the last issue (number 104/105) was probably a "goodbye" to his vexillological friends because he knew he was very ill. He wrote many books and just last year published a four-volume book on the flags and coats of arms of the Netherlands. Derkwillem was so proud of that work. It was the result of years of research and is truly unique.

With Derkwillem's passing, our Dutch friends have lost a great vexillologist who worked to develop vexillology and to promote the flags of his country. I send, in my name and in the name of the FIAV Board, my deepest sympathy to his husband Merrick Alan Oost and other family members.

Michel Lupant
FIAV President

December 2, 2001

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