# XXIX MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COMMISSION OF THE F.I.D.E. FOR CHESS COMPOSITIONS

#### Fontenay-sous-Bois, France 7.-12.7.1986

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#### Participants

#### 1) Members

Jan Hannelius	Finland	President
Barry P. Barnes	Britain	1st Vice-President
Victor Chepizhny	U.S.S.R.	2nd Vice-President
Attila Benedek	Hungary	3rd Vice-President
Antonio Argüelles	Spain	
Uri Avner	Israel	
Dr. Hemmo Axt	F.R.G.	
Prof. Caetano Belliboni	Brazil	
Denis Blondel	France	
Drs. Cornelis Goldschmeding	Netherlands	
Dr. Newman Guttman	U.S.A.	
Marian Kovačević	Yugoslavia	
Giorgio Mirri	Italy	
Jan Mortensen	Denmark	
Ignaas Vandemeulebroucke	Belgium	
Odette Vollenweider	Switzerland	
Dr. Klaus Wenda	Austria	
Kjell Widlert	Sweden	
Prof. Byron Zappas	Greece	

During the first days Britain was represented by Norman Macleod. Vollenweider was mainly substituted by Roland Baier.

#### 2) Observers

Active observers were M. Bonavoglia (Italy), B. Ellinghoven (F.R.G.), E. Hassberg (U.S.A.). Hannu Harkola (Finland) was the secretary.

The number of participants was over 100, and more than 80 of these were problemists from 20 countries.

Not present were: Eugeniusz Iwanow (Poland), Virgil Nestorescu (Rumania) and Vladimir Rangelov (Bulgaria). GDR and ČSSR still have no named members.

The Honorary President N. Petrović, the Honorary Members P. ten Cate and I. Ljapunov, and the endgame expert Dr. G. Nadareishvili were excused.

The organization of the conference depended heavily on the efforts of Denis Blondel, who succeeded at a short notice to invite the meeting to France. Our warmest thanks to him and the "Rex Multiplex"-group! At the same time we are in sympaty with the Polish problemists for the unhappy circumstances that prevented them from organizing the event as originally planned.

#### Minutes (7.-12.7.1986)

## 1) Opening address

President Jan Hannelius opened the meeting.

# 2) Verification of attendance and voting rights

Represented were 18 member countries and 5 were absent (Bulgaria, ČSSR, GRD, Poland and Rumania).
The meeting was declared legal.

# 3) Approval of Riccione minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting in Riccione 1985 were accepted.

# 4) Acceptance or exclusion of Members

Brazil, represented by prof. Caetano Belliboni, was accepted and welcomed as the 24. member of the Commission.

Also P. F. van Voore from the Republic of South Africa has requested information regarding membership in the Commission.

# 5) Checking on the standing committees

Elections: Axt, Kovačević and Vandemeulebroucke.

Codex: Goldschmeding, Mortensen and Widlert. WCSC: Avner, Axt, Goldschmeding and Widlert.

WCCT: Blondel, Avner, Chepizhny, Hassberg and Zappas.

Album and publications: Widlert, Avner, Axt, Barnes, Benedek,

Chepizhny, Guttman and Kovačević.

Qualifications: Barnes, Vandemeulebroucke and Vollenweider.

# 6) Notification of proposals by Members

New proposals and matters for "any other business" ( $\S$  15) were notified.

## 7) Codex

C. Goldschmeding gave a short report on the situation. Preparation of the new Codex goes on rather slowly.

# 8) Competitions

# 8.1. World Chess Solving Championship (WCSC)

The new rules (see Riccione minutes 1985, Appendix 2) were

accepted in a voting with 14 votes for the proposal, 2 votes against and 2 abstentions (1 absent). After some small modifications in chapter IX the rules will be published as an annex to the protocol.

There were 8 teams and 28 solvers reported for the 10th competition. The tournament director and chief judge was C. Goldschmeding and judges were J.C.M. Schogt (Netherlands), P. Valois (Britain) and H. Zajic (Austria). The problems were selected by D. Blondel. The results are:
Teams: 1. Britain (World Champion) 2. Finland 3. Israel 4. Sweden 5. Yugoslavia 6. F.R.G. 7. France 8. Netherlands. Individuals: 1. Pauli Perkonoja, Finland (World Champion), 2. Jonathan Mestel, Britain and 3. Gerald Lee, Britain.

# 8.2. 3rd World Chess Compositions Tournament (WCCT)

Tournament Director D. Blondel reported that there are 28 participating countries and the total number of entries is 629. All the entries have been sent to the judges and also to the participating countries for checking.

The confusion in some payments of the participating fee was made clear in favour of all those concerned.

# 8.3. Preparation of Album tourney 1983-85

The next Album tourney shall be announced in 1987. A preliminary list of directors and judges was compiled by the Album commission and after some modifications it is the following: 2-movers: director Goldschmeding, 2-movers: director Goldschmeding, judges: Welnitschenko, Dittrich (reserves: Visbeen, Bartolović) 3-movers: director Bakcsi, judges: Jörgensen, Lindgren, van Dijk (reserves: Lobusov, Seider) moremovers: director Rudenko, judges: Rinder, Macleod, B. Fargette (reserves: H. le Grand, P. le Grand) endgames: director Nejdze, judges: Rusinek, Afek, Hildebrand (reserves: Nestorescu, Koranyi) helpmates: director Janevski, judges: Müller, Lindner, Alaikov (reserves: Kricheli, Ring) selfmates: director Chlubna, judges: Petkov, Keller, Gordian (reserves: Avner, Holladay) fairy chess: director Lytton, judges: Ellinghoven, Widlert, Cheylan (reserves: Smits, Rehm) retro & mathematics: director Keym, judges: Caillaud, Lauinger, Plaksin (reserves: Hazebrouck, Klasiné). The new President organizes contacts with the nominated judges. Addresses shall be sent to him by respective Commission members. The Album Commission will prepare instructions for the judges and directors.

# 8.4. FIDE-Album tourney 1980-82

Widlert reported the situation. Four sections (3X, nX, sX, fairy)

have been selected. One judge is late and the new President shall contact him. If no result, then Hassberg will replace the judge.

Uniform diagrams for the selected problems will be delivered to the section directors.

The Commission decided to recommend the following alterations to the Album:

- Solutions with the diagrams (on the same or the facing page)
  - More complete solutions
  - Points given by the judges
- Theme register. Details for preparing it have been worked out by the Album Commission.

Published corrections of old problems shall be allowed if the old version is not in any Album.

The judges and directors are satisfied with the new selection system.

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# 8.5. Olympic tourneys

Hannelius reported about his correspondence with the organizers of the 1986 Chess Olympiad in the United Arab Emiriates. They are interested in the possibilities to organize problem solving and composing competitions concurrent with the olympiad. The Commission regarded this possibility interesting and important and a working group with the members Zappas, Axt, Belliboni, Hassberg and Wenda was nominated to prepare the matter. The working group proposed to organize:

a) A solving competition like WCSC. Each country may participate with 1 or 2 solvers. K. Valtonen will be proposed as the tournament director and judge.

b) A composing tourney during the last days of the Chess Olympiad. Each country may participate with 1 composer in two categories: 2-movers and 3-movers. Zappas was recommended as the judge.

After long discussions the procedure proposed by the working group was accepted in a voting with 13 votes (4 against, 1 abstention, 1 absent).

The new President shall write to FIDE, Dubai and Thessaloniki about preferred actions. The attitude towards the request of Dubai will be positive, but because of limited time there are certain difficulties. In principle the members considered it to be useful for problem chess to be connected with the Chess Olympics.

# 9) Qualifications

The title of International Judge of the FIDE for Chess Compositions was granted to the following three persons:

Stefan Dittrich (GDR) for twomovers Francois Fargette (France) for moremovers Günter Schiller (GDR) for three- and moremovers

The qualifications of Klaus Wenda (Austria) were completed for

selfmates and fairy chess.

The title of International Solving Master of the FIDE was granted to

Graham Lee, Britain Jonathan Mestel, Britain Kjell Widlert, Sweden.

Italy proposed to give the title of an international master to Antonio Piatesi honoris causa. This proposal was not accepted, but instead the Commission decided to establish a new title: Honorary Master of Problem Chess. The new title was granted with a majority of 2/3 of the votes to

Antonio Argüelles, Spain Dr. John Niemann, F.R.G. Antonio Piatesi, Italy

#### 10) Statutes

The rules of the WCSC competition will be added to the Statutes.

#### 11) FIDE relations

The President reported on the FIDE relations incl. a favourable telephone call from President F. Campomanes in April 1986. The financial grant of 3000 CHF has been paid for the fiscal period 1985-86.

#### 12) Election of officers

The elections were prepared by a subcommission consisting of Axt, Kovačević and Vandemeulebroucke.

Jan Hannelius resigned after 12 years as the President. For the new President there were two candidates. In a voting Wenda received 11 votes and Goldschmeding received 7 votes (1 abstention). So Klaus Wenda (Austria) was elected President.

For the 1st Vice-President there was only one candidate after Barry Barnes had resigned and so <u>C. Goldschmeding</u> (Netherlands) was elected.

For the 2nd Vice-President the candidates were Chepizhny and Benedek. V. Chepizhny (U.S.S.R.) was elected with 17 votes against 1 (1 rejected).

For the 3rd Vice-President the only candidate  $\underline{\text{A. Benedek}}$  (Hungary) was elected.

Jan Hannelius was nominated Honorary President of the Commission. Thanks were given also to H. Harkola for his work as secretary during 12 years.

#### 13) Publications

## 13.1. Printing of FIDE Albums

As decided in 1985 the Album 1982-84 will be printed in Yugoslavia with N. Petrović as chief editor.

#### 13.2. New official organ

No new ideas for the official organ for the Commission were suggested.

The importance of good information was emphasized.

#### 13.3. Other publication matters

There were no news about other publication matters.

#### 14) Future meetings

K. Wenda invited the meeting and WCSC competition in 1987 (last week of August) to Graz, Austria and this was accepted with pleasure.

In 1988 there seem to be possibilities for a meeting in Italy (Venice), Israel and hopefully also in some East European country. For 1988 or 1989 there is an invitation to Bournemouth, England. The decision on the venue 1988 was postponed to next year while England was found suitable in 1989.

#### 15) Any other business

An Italian proposal contained three suggestions. The first two were connected with the organization of composing tournaments and these will be handled by the Codex Commission. The third proposal stressed the importance of information, various registers and updated rules and Statutes. No measures were proposed to solve this problem.

U.S.S.R. and Sweden are going to organize an endgame study composition match between U.S.S.R. and the rest of the world. The Commission supports this plan.

Kangasala and Helsinki

September 1986

Jan Hannelius President Hannu Harkola Secretary