

# PERMANENT COMMISSION OF THE FIDE FOR CHESS COMPOSITIONS (PCCC)

XXXVIII. Meeting in Turku, Finland 22.7. - 29.7.1995

## MINUTES

### Official Participants

Bedrich FORMÁNEK	Slovakia	President
Hannu HARKOLA	Finland	1st Vice-President
Kjell WIDLERT	Sweden	2nd Vice-President
Bernd ELLINGHOVEN	Germany	3rd Vice-President
Günter BÜSING	Germany	Secretary
Helmut ZAJIC	Austria	Delegate
Ignas VANDEMEULEBROUCKE	Belgium	Delegate
Josip VARGA	Croatia	Delegate
Jiri JELINEK	Czechia	Delegate
Thorwald CHRISTIANSEN	Denmark	Deputy for Jan Mortensen
Jaques ROTENBERG	France	Delegate
David GURGENIDZE	Georgia	Delegate
John RICE	Great Britain	Delegate
Byron ZAPPAS	Greece	Delegate
Laszlo LINDNER	Hungary	Deputy for Tibor Szabó and Honorary Member
Uri AVNER	Israel	Delegate
Marco BONA VOGLIA	Italy	Delegate
Sonomun CHIMEDTZEREN	Mongolia	Delegate
Henk le GRAND	The Netherlands	Delegate
Bogusz PILICZEWSKI	Poland	Deputy for Jan Rusinek
Jakov VLADIMIROV	Russia	Delegate
Marko KLASINC	Slovenia	Delegate
Manuel MUNOZ	Spain	Delegate
Roland BAIER	Switzerland	Delegate
Valeri GORBUNOV	Ukraine (new member)	Delegate
Newman GUTTMAN	U.S.A.	Delegate
Milan VELIMIROVIC	Yugoslavia	Delegate
Jan HANNELIUS	Finland	Honorary President
Klaus WENDA	Austria	Honorary President

At the beginning 21 of 31 member countries were represented. After late arrival of some delegates and acceptance of the new application (see § 3) 26 of 32 member countries were represented.

The following persons were excused:

Petko PETKOV	Bulgaria	Delegate
Fadil ABDURAHMANOVIC	Bosnia-Hercegovina	Delegate
Aivars SPILBERGS	Latvia	Delegate
Virgil NESTORESCU	Romania	Delegate

No delegates were nominated by the member countries Brazil and Estonia.

Marjan KOVACEVIC attended the sessions as an observer for Macedonia without a voting right.

Active visitors fulfilling tasks as members of subcommittees, tourney directors, assistant directors, etc, were:

Kenneth SOLJA, Timo KALLIO (both Finland), Denis BLONDEL (France), Hemmo AXT, Hans GRUBER, Rainer STAUDTE (all Germany), John ROYCROFT, Brian STEPHENSON, Colin SYDENHAM (all Great Britain), Oleg PERVAKOV, Andrei SELIVANOV, Igor VERESHCHAGIN (all Russia), Bo LINDGREN (Sweden), Thomas MAEDER (Switzerland), Michal DRAGOUN (Czechia).

Also several Finnish problemists worked very effectively in the background.

## **§1 Opening address, remembrance for deceased problemists**

After words of welcome President Bedrich Formánek expressed his thanks for the organization of the meeting to Suomen Tehtäväniekat, to the city of Turku, to the Finnish Ministry of Education, to the sponsors and then declared the meeting open. He observed that this was a historical meeting in so far as for the first time two Honorary Presidents were present during a session.

Thereafter the President regretted the death of several prominent problemists since the XXXVII. Meeting. A minute of mourning and remembrance was held for: Cor GOLDSCHMEDING (The Netherlands), Herbert HULTBERG (Sweden), Valentin LUKIANOV (Ukraine), Hans-Dieter LEISS, Bernhard SCHAUER and Karl JUNKER (all Germany).

## **§2 Verification of Attendance and Voting Rights**

21 member countries out of 31 were represented. The meeting was declared legal.

## **§3 Application of new Members**

Two written applications presented by designated delegates were presented by the Chess Federations of Ukraine and Macedonia. The Ukrainian application was accepted by unanimous decision. The President welcomed the new delegate Valeri GORBUNOV.

A discussion about the application of Macedonia took place because the nominated delegate Zivko JANEVSKI was not personally present and had nominated Marjan KOVACEVIC from Yugoslavia as his deputy. This was not considered to meet the statutory requirements as delegates should have a close relation to the country which they represent. However, in a vote the following resolution was unanimously accepted (24 in favour):

"It was decided by vote at the meeting in Turku that Macedonia fulfills all requirements for admission to membership of PCCC, except for the attendance in person by a delegate. The

application addressed to the President of the PCCC will be confirmed at the meeting in Tel Aviv 1996, provided that a nominated delegate is present and orally repeats his federation's application. If no delegate is present in Tel Aviv, the application will not be confirmed."

#### **§4 Approval of the Belfort minutes 1994**

The minutes of the XXXVII. Meeting in Belfort (1994) were approved.

#### **§5 Checking of the Standing Subcommittees**

<b>1. Codex:</b>	G. BÜSING H. AXT B. FORMÁNEK C. SYDENHAM I. VERESHCHAGIN	Spokesman
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<b>2. WCSC:</b>	H. AXT U. AVNER M. KLASINC J. ROTENBERG J. VLADIMIROV	Spokesman
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<b>3. WCCT:</b>	U. AVNER H. GRUBER J. JELINEK M. VELIMIROVIC J. VLADIMIROV B. ZAPPAS	Spokesman
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<b>4. FIDE-album, Publications:</b>	K. WIDLERT U. AVNER D. BLONDEL B. ELLINGHOVEN N. GUTTMAN J. RICE A. SELIVANOV K. SOLJA	Spokesman
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B. Formánek suggested to delete in future the term "publications" for this subcommittee because it is exclusively related to the FIDE-albums.

<b>5. Qualifications:</b>	I. VANDEMEULEBROUCKE M. BONAVOGLIA D. GURGENIDZE H. HARKOLA O. PERVAKOV	Spokesman
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<b>6. Computer Matters:</b>	H. le GRAND N. GUTTMAN	Spokesman
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T. KALLIO  
T. MAEDER  
J. ROTENBERG  
R. STAUDTE  
B. STEPHENSON  
M. VELIMIROVIC

**7. Studies:**

J. ROYCROFT  
V. GORBUNOV  
D. GURGENIDZE  
O. PERVAKOV

Spokesman

8. B. Formánek suggested to establish a new standing subcommittee for

**Terminology:**

J. RICE  
M. BONA VOGLIA  
M. DRAGOUN  
B. FORMÁNEK  
A. SLESARENKO  
K. SOLJA

Spokesman (provisional)

9. A further subcommittee was established for the revision of the

**Statutes:**

K. WENDA  
G. BÜSING  
C. SYDENHAM

Spokesman

## **§6 Notification of Proposals by Members**

### **6.I Statutes**

K. Wenda reported for the subcommittee for the revision of the Statutes.

The question of representation of a member country is not clearly defined in the current wording of the Statutes. As an unclear situation arose for the first time during this meeting (representation of Macedonia), the subcommittee proposed an amendment of the Statutes to overcome such lack of clarity. Therefore, it was proposed to introduce the following addition to § II.5:

**Delegates and deputies must be either nationals of or habitually resident in the nominating country. No one person may simultaneously represent more than one country.**

The vote on this amendment, which required a two-thirds majority, resulted in its acceptance (23 in favour, 1 against).

A second amendment of the Statutes was proposed with regard to § XI.1. In the old version of the Statutes, § XI.1 merely defines that the Commission shall decide with either a straight or a two-thirds majority, without specifically defining the situations where a straight or a two-thirds majority is required. Some situations where a two-thirds majority is required are defined at other places in the Statutes. The subcommittee considered it as desirable to clarify the wording of § XI.1 because in the 1994 meeting the situation arose where a delegate requested a two-

thirds majority for a voting not covered by such statutory clause, which was considered as against the spirit of the Statutes.

Therefore, the following **amendment of § XI.1** was proposed (as replacement of the current wording):

**The commission shall decide with a straight majority except in cases where the statutes expressly require a two-thirds majority.**

The **vote** on this amendment, which required a two-thirds majority, resulted in its **acceptance** (21 in favour, 1 against, 2 abstentions).

Additionally, **Ukraine** is added to Annex I of the Statutes as a new member country.

K. Wenda will provide a clean copy of the new version of the Statutes.

## **6.II Studies subcommittee**

J. Roycroft as spokesman of the studies subcommittee presented the proposal to the FIDE rules committee to add the following footnote to Article 10.12 of the official FIDE Rules (50 move rule):

" (Footnote on composed endgame studies) Notwithstanding the foregoing, no limitation on the number of moves shall apply to the correct solution to a composed chess endgame study, unless explicitly stated otherwise, for example as an addition to the stipulation. (A study is a composed position with a stipulation of 'win' or 'draw'. In a study there is no player to make a claim and no person to whom to address a claim. In a study the sole criterion of a true result is analytical proof.)"

J. Roycroft explained that this footnote was intended simply to avoid conflicts between the rules of the game and of composed studies and that it would in no way affect the rules of the game. On the other hand, it would overcome some problems that might arise in studies in case of amendments of the 50-move rule, as happened several times before. The subcommittee did not wish to have a discussion or a vote in the Commission on this subject-matter, but it announced that it would send the proposal to the FIDE rules committee.

J. Roycroft reported about the activities of the studies subcommittee. It was suggested to organize a studies-solving tourney during the next meeting. U. Avner promised to consider this proposal, but could not promise to fit it into the program. The subcommittee generally offered its cooperation in any matters that are related to studies and invited others to contact the subcommittee in any questions that might also have an effect on studies. Finally, J. Roycroft observed that the announcement of tournaments could sometimes be improved. In this connection, K. Widlert reminded that the codex subcommittee presently works on the second part of the codex which includes recommendations for the organization of tournaments.

## **6.III Proposals by Bulgaria**

The proposals by P. Petkov to introduce official world championships for quick composing, to publish an official all-time rating list after the publication of each album, and to encourage FIDE congress organizers to invite outstanding grandmasters and international masters as official guests were postponed to next year, due to lack of time for the relevant subcommittees to deal with the various aspects of these proposals.

#### 6.IV Proposals by Russia and <sup>Georgia</sup>~~Ukraine~~

A proposal submitted by Russia and <sup>Georgia</sup>~~Ukraine~~ to give the best composer in each FIDE-album section the title of World Champion in chess composition was discussed. J. Vladimirov mentioned that in (individual) chess competitions, about 30 different World Champion-titles exist. Some delegates stressed that chess composition is an art and that therefore a title would not be necessary or not even make sense. U. Avner added that we cannot measure quantity (expressed in album points) against quality. J. Rotenberg observed that the WCCT is related to the sportive side of chess composition and that space should be left which is not attributed to titles. Others, especially B. Zappas, were of the opinion that succesful composers deserve some kind of official recognition (not necessarily a title). L. Lindner mentioned that recognition already exists (because the number of compositions of a composer can be counted in the index) and that the creation of a title is necessary because many national chess federations are organized within the national sports federations. B. Ellinghoven as current editor of the album informed that it would be easy to add a list of the most successful composers (per section and/or in total) to future albums.

After discussion, it was **voted** on the request

"that the composer of the greatest number of problems included in an album, as well as in each section of the album, be given some special recognition, until the appearance of the next album".

This request was **accepted** (14 in favour, 8 against, 2 abstentions).

#### 6.V Further proposals

Further proposals by members were discussed in various subcommittees and are referred to under other paragraphs of these minutes (§7 Competitions, §8 Publications).

### §7 Competitions

#### 7.I 19th World Chess Solving Championship

Bo Lindgren selected the problems for the 19th WCSC. As the organizers had the capacity to deal with more than the official participants, it was announced that additional individual solvers might take part unofficially. The organizing country was allowed to take part with a second, unofficial, team.

The final results of the 19th WCSC were as follows:

##### a) Teams:

1.	Finland	136.5 points	640 min.
2.	Yugoslavia	126.5	655
3.	Israel	120.5	684
4.	France	114.5	715
5.	Great Britain	113.0	699
6.	Russia	110.5	689
7.	The Netherlands	106.0	716
8.	Belgium	101.0	709
9.	Germany	97.0	704
10.	Slovenia	86.5	711
11.	Ukraine	84.5	719



12.	Switzerland	82.5	639
13.	Slovakia	70.0	720
14.	Czech Republic	63.5	679

b) Individuals:

1.	Pauli Perkonoja (Finland) (World Champion)	69.0 points	298 min.
2.	Ofer Comay (Israel)	66.5	334
3.	Arno Zude (Germany)	65.0	324
4.	Jorma Paavilainen (Finland)	65.0	349
5.	Miodrag Mladenovic (Yugoslavia)	64.5	348
6.	Marjan Kovacevic (Yugoslavia)	59.0	342
7.	Jonathan Mestel (Great Britain)	59.0	348
8.	Aleksandr Feoktistov (Russia)	57.0	354
9.	Michel Caillaud (France)	55.0	355
10.	Peter van den Heuvel (Netherlands)	55.0	356
	and 49 further participants.		

H. Axt, as spokesman of the WCSC subcommittee, informed that some minor changes are necessary in the wording of the WCSC rules. Details will be given next year.

The Slovenian proposal about changing the system of WCSC by introducing a fairy round was discussed in the WCSC subcommittee. Spokesman H. Axt reported that the majority of the subcommittee suggests to bring the proposal with some minor amendments (time for the study round 90 minutes and for the fairy round 40 minutes; rounds 2 and 6 exchanged, § 6.4 restricted to reflexmates (stipulation), Circe (condition) and to 2- and 3-movers) to the Commission. After further discussion in the Commission, the proposal was finally **rejected** in a **vote** (8 in favour, 12 against, 2 abstentions)

## 7.II 5th WCCT

J. Jelinek reported about the progress in the 5th WCCT: A booklet with all the entries was sent to the participating countries and the judges by end of June. The deadline for protests is 15.11.1995. Anticipations, mistakes or cooks will be sent to the team captains and to the judges until 31.1.1996. Preliminary awards should be made until december 1996 and the final award should be ready not later than by end of March 1997.

## 7.III Future WCCTs

Some procedures were discussed in the subcommittee which may speed up further WCCTs. A detailed proposal will be presented at the 1996 meeting of the PCCC.

The proposal by Slovenia to include also the third problems of a country if awarded by the judge, without scoring points for the country, was favourably considered by the subcommittee and presented for voting to the Commission. The **vote** resulted in the **acceptance** of this proposal (19 in favour, 2 against, 1 abstention) for future WCCTs (not for the current competition).

H. Harkola suggested to update the WCCT-rules until the next meeting.

B. Zappas proposed that the method for finding themes for the WCCT should be changed in order to have better or more themes.

## **§8 Publications, Report by the Subcommittee and the Centre for Errata Lists**

### **8.I FIDE Album**

The FIDE-album 1986-88 is now available. K. Widlert as spokesman of the subcommittee called it a wonderful book, and the only remaining wish was that there should also be an English text. The editors remarked that this had been intended, but this could not be achieved since no translator could be found for preparing the English text from the French original. J. Vladimirov regretted that the composers' names were not given as in previous albums (no cyrillic letters, no accents). He also observed that in the solutions of the twomovers, some unintended tries were mentioned. J. Rotenberg explained that this was mostly due to the lack of clear and uniform indication of the author's intention and that annotations that were not given by the author were added in brackets. B. Formánek suggested that any comments or suggestions for further improvement of future albums should be sent to the editors or to K. Widlert as the spokesman of the album subcommittee. J. Rotenberg suggested that somebody, for example the director, should be responsible for the index in each section.

K. Widlert gave a report about the situation for the FIDE-album 1989-91: final results have been received in four sections (3#, n#, studies and retro). Provisional results are available in the s# and h#-sections; in the fairies section, the third judge had just finished his work, and only the situation in the twomover-section was not clear.

Judges and directors for the next album, for the period 1992-94, have been proposed according to the following list, which was accepted by the Commission by vote (21 in favour, 3 abstentions). Some of the proposed judges and directors had already accepted the respective undertaking, the remaining persons will be asked in written form by the spokesman of the FIDE-album subcommittee after the end of the meeting. The closing date for the album 1992-94 will presumably be 1.8.1996.

#### **FIDE Album 1992-94 -- Proposed Directors, Judges, and Reserve Judges**

<b>Section:</b>	<b>#2</b>	<b>#3</b>	<b>#n</b>
<b>Director:</b>	<b>Kauko Virtanen</b>	<b>Piet le Grand</b>	<b>Albert Koldijk</b>
<b>Judges:</b>	Jean Morice Viktor Melnichenko <b>Karol Mlynka</b>	<b>Robin Matthews</b> Mircea Manolescu Michael Keller	Bruno Fargette <b>Hans Peter Rehm</b> <b>Aleksandr Feoktistov</b>
<b>Reserve:</b>	Henk Prins	<b>Aleksandr Kuzovkov</b>	Jan Rusinek
<b>Section:</b>	<b>eg</b>	<b>s#</b>	<b>h#</b>
<b>Director:</b>	<b>John Roycroft</b>	<b>Paul Valois</b>	Anders Uddgren
<b>Judges:</b>	Yochanan Afek David Gurgendze Nikolai Kralin	<b>Uri Avner</b> Juri Gordian Hartmut Laue	Harry Fougiakis <b>Zivko Janevski</b> Petko Petkov
<b>Reserve:</b>	Pauli Perkonoja Emilian Dobrescu	Klaus Wenda	Mario Figueiredo



<b>Section:</b>	<b>fairy</b>	<b>retro</b>
Director:	<b>Kjell Widlert</b>	Wolfgang Dittmann
Judges:	<b>Hans Gruber</b>	<b>Michel Caillaud</b>
	<b>John Rice</b>	Nikita Plaksin
	Gerard Smits	André Hazebrouck
Reserve:	Yves Cheylan	Andrej Frolkin

(Boldface names indicate that the respective persons have already accepted)

## 8.II Future Albums

### 8.II.1 Printing

Two groups were willing to take over responsibility for future albums: the present editors and printers Bernd Ellinghoven/Denis Blondel and the Russian Chess Federation. The Commission realized, after notification from the subcommittee, that there exists a problem under the present circumstances for distributing the album in Russia and other eastern countries. It was generally agreed in principle that there should be some way to make the album available to eastern problemists. The two possibilities to reach this aim were either to print the album in Russia or to come to an agreement between the present publishers and the Russian federation allowing them to produce an unofficial book in Russian language that will be sold in eastern countries at low price.

As the Russian offer to take over the overall responsibility for the album appeared to be somewhat restricted (no guarantee could be given that a thematic index, full solutions including byplay and variations could be maintained), it was preferred to have future albums also be printed by the present team.

After separate discussions between the Russian delegation and the present editors under the chairmanship of the President of the PCCC, an agreement has been reached that makes the album selection available also to eastern problemists. This agreement was accepted and signed during the Turku meeting on 28.07.1995 by the German delegate and printer/editor of the album (B. Ellinghoven), by the Russian delegate (J. Vladimirov) and by the President of the PCCC (B. Formánek) and reads as follows:

"The PCCC authorizes the Russian delegate to be in charge of the editing and printing of a book containing all the problems which have been selected for the next FIDE Album which is officially edited and printed by Bernd Ellinghoven and Denis Blondel.  
The FIDE Album editors guarantee that they will send all the diagrams to the Russian delegate not later than 6 months before the estimated date of publication of the official Album.  
The Russian delegate guarantees that the Russian edition will not be published until a full six months after the date of the official PCCC publication.  
Since the FIDE Album edition is the official PCCC publication, the Russian delegate guarantees FIDE that the Russian edition shall in no way present itself as an official publication."

### 8.II.2 Selection

The German proposal to cancel the modification rule for selecting the album problems aimed at the reestablishment of the fixed limit of 8 points for selection of a problem for the album, irrespective of the percentage of selected problems within a section, whereas the present rule leads to a shift of this limit to 7.5 points in case of selection of less than 12% of the entries and

to 8.5 points if more than 20% of the entries are selected. After discussion in the album-subcommittee, the German proposal was modified and the subcommittee recommended to abolish the 8.5 points exception but to maintain the 7.5 rule in case of selection of less than 12% of the entries in a section.

After discussion in the Commission, a **vote** on the proposal of the subcommittee took place.

**Proposal:** The limit for entry into the FIDE-album is 8 points unless the number of selected problems is less than 12%. In such case, problems with 7.5 points will be in the album.

This proposal was **accepted** (14 in favour, 9 against, 1 abstention).

K. Widlert asked whether this decision should already be effective for the album period 1989-91 or only for later albums. The subcommittee proposes to apply the new rule already for the running album. This was **accepted** by the Commission in a **vote** (22 in favour, 2 against).

### 8.III Errata center

G. Büsing reported that there had been few activities related to the errata center; one German problemist has presented some results of computer testing of several volumes of Schach-Echo (late 1950s).

## §9 Qualifications

### Granting of titles, proposals and report by the Qualification Subcommittee:

#### 9.I Titles

I. Vandemeulebroucke announced the recommendations of the subcommittee to grant the following titles:

a) The title "*International Judge of the FIDE for Chess Compositions*" to:

- Yuri AKOBIA (Georgia) in the section endgames
- Laurent JOUDON (France) in the section 3# and n#

Taking into account the FIDE-album 1986-88 and the first available lists of problems for the album 1989-91,

b) the title "*Grandmaster of the FIDE for Chess Compositions*" (at least 70 album points) to

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| - Michael KELLER (Germany)    | 78 album-points    |
| - Aleksandr KUZOVKOV (Russia) | 76.83 album-points |

c) the title "*International Master of the FIDE for Chess Compositions*" (at least 25 album points) to

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| - Udo DEGENER (Germany)    | 25.5 album points  |
| - Juri GORDIAN (Ukraine)   | 29.91 album points |
| - Pal BENKÖ (USA, Hungary) | 28.04 album-points |
| - Oleg PERVAKOV (Russia)   | 33.88 album-points |
| - Alexej SOCHNEV (Russia)  | 25.84 album points |

d) the title "*FIDE Master for Chess Compositions*" (at least 12.0 album points) to

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| - Vladimir SICHEV (Belorussia) | 12.5 album-points  |
| - Aleksandr KISLJAK (Ukraine)  | 15 album points    |
| - Nicolae MICU (Romania)       | 13.33 album points |
| - Nicolai RJABININ (Russia)    | 23.33 album points |
| - Revaz TAVARIANI (Georgia)    | 13.67 album points |
| - Vladimir TIMONIN (Russia)    | 15.67 album points |
| - Valentin UDARTSEV (Russia)   | 12.00 album points |

e) the title "*International Solving Master of the FIDE*" to

- Jorma PAAVILAINEN (Finland)
- Miodrag MLADENOVIC (Yugoslavia)

who both also fulfilled their first norm for the title of an International Solving-Grandmaster.

Subject to confirmation by FIDE, all these proposed titles were granted by unanimous decision of the 23 delegates who were present.

## 9.II Proposals

I. Vandemeulebroucke further reported about the subcommittee's discussion of the proposal of Great Britain to make it possible for solvers to gain title norms at events other than the WCSC.

This proposal actually consists of three parts:

- a) It should be possible to gain norms at events other than WCSC, for instance at national championships or at international open solving tourneys;
- b) Rules under which such norms can be gained have to be defined, and the creation of a new title "FIDE Solving-Master" might be considered;
- c) As the organization of such tourneys would require experienced directors, a title as "International Solving Tourney Director" might be established, in order to promote high standards of directing.

The subcommittee was principally in favour of this proposal but was aware that, in order to keep control over solving activities which could lead to official FIDE titles, certain organizational requirements have to be defined before establishing such a system. As the definition of such conditions would involve a considerable amount of preparatory work, including other subcommittees (mainly WCSC), a principal decision of the Commission was suggested before the work were continued.

In the following discussion, various aspects of the proposal were discussed. During this discussion, the introduction of a FIDE-Solving Master title was considered separately from the question of obtaining norms at other events than the WCSC, mainly on the basis of the argument that Master titles were also granted in other domains of chess activities (game over the board, chess composition). Finally, the Commission **voted** on two general questions:

- a) Should a title of FIDE-Solving Master be introduced** (on conditions to be defined afterwards)? As this vote might lead to the principal introduction of a new title, a two-thirds majority was deemed necessary for acceptance. This majority was obtained (21 in favour, 2 against, 1 abstention);
- b) Should it be possible for solvers to gain norms at events other than the WCSC?** As this question would also have influence on the conditions for obtaining a title, a two-thirds majority was also deemed necessary for acceptance. This qualified majority was obtained (18 in favour, 3 against, 3 abstentions).

## **§10 Codex, Report by the Subcommittee**

G. Büsing reported about the progress in the deliberations on the second part of the codex. The contents of the Article concerning Publication, which caused many problems in the previous years, seem now to be acceptable to the subcommittee, and the corresponding Article will be redrafted and, hopefully, accepted by the subcommittee during the coming year. Further discussions concentrated on Chapter VIII of the codex draft (tournaments); good progress has been made there. G. Büsing expressed the hope that the second part might be finished in two years, provided that no new problems arise.

## **§11 Computer Matters, Report by the Subcommittee**

H. le Grand reported about the activities of the subcommittee for computer matters and referred to four items:

- a) The standard description of chess problems, which is prepared by Stefan Höning, Thomas Maeder and Torsten Linß, will presumably be finished until next year;
- b) To improve the contact over the year, he suggested to install Internet-connections between the members of the subcommittee;
- c) H. leGrand mentioned some problem collection databases and requested more information because there is the feeling that further databases might exist which are not known to the subcommittee.
- d) H. leGrand would like to get e-mail addresses from problemists.

## **§12 Future Meetings and future WCSC**

**Invitation 1996:** Uri Avner distributed brochures containing information about the next meeting which will take place in Tel Aviv in the week 12. - 19. 10.1996. He explained that the prices mentioned therein are almost sure and that only slight changes should be expected, if any at all. He drew special attention to the registration date (15.8.1996) because in case of late registration no guarantee could be given that rooms were still available in the congress hotel.

**Invitation 1997:** Invitations were submitted by the Russian Federation to have the meeting in St. Petersburg and by the Croatian Federation, without indicating a place for the venue. Additionally, the Italian delegate informed that the possibility to organize the meeting in 1997 were currently investigated but no formal invitation could be pronounced presently.

As none of the invitations was accompanied with details and as all the inviting parties agreed that one year would be sufficient for the preparation of the meeting, no formal decision was taken in Turku.

**Invitation 1998/1999:** The Mongolian chess federation presented an invitation for a meeting in Ulan Bator in 1998 or 1999. The costs for food and accomodation are expected to be about 275 \$/week.

## **§13 Any other Business**

**13.I** B. Formánek mentioned an article about decision processes in the PCCC by Hans Gruber which was published in *feenschach*. An English language translation of this article was

presented to the delegates and it was suggested to discuss it during next year's meeting in Tel Aviv.

**13.II** The result of the action "150 letters" was not very promising. In this action 150 national chess federations were contacted worldwide (distributed as annex to the announcement of the 5th WCCT) in order to get information about activities in compositional chess in the various countries. Only 8 responses have been received (from Norway, Saudi-Arabia, Algeria, Costa Rica, Byelorussia, Lithuania, Georgia, and a further Arabian country). In these replies, requests for further information about PCCC were predominant, rather than giving information about compositional chess activities in the respective countries. As this attempt to establish contacts with the national chess federations was not succesful, B. Formánek suggested to get into contact with individual problemists in non-member countries. He requested that addresses which might be known to delegates should be forwarded to him.

**13.III** H. Harkola offered that the logo used for the Turku meeting might be used, if so desired, as an official logo of the PCCC. The question whether an official logo should be selected was postponed to the next meeting.

**13.IV** J. Rotenberg asked whether there has been an official contact of the Commission to the visitors from Japan. B. Formánek replied that this has been intended to take place later on.

**13.V** B. Formánek mentioned that the PCCC has two (semi-) official magazines: *The Problemist* and *Die Schwalbe*. Both magazines had agreed to distribute information from the PCCC. J. Rotenberg added that D. Blondel would presumably agree to distribute information in French within *Phénix*.

**13.VI** J. Rice reported as provisional spokesman of the subcommittee for terminology that the first session of this new subcommittee will take place in Tel Aviv 1996. Until then, the subcommittee has to define its tasks and to look for a basis of its work. J. Rice indicated that his "ABC of Chess Problems" might possibly serve as a basis for further discussion.

**13.VII** B. Formánek reported about two meetings during the preceeding year. During a Hainburg meeting in April 1995 with Klaus Wenda they spoke about the organizing of the next PCCC Meeting and other actual questions. An official presidium meeting took place during the Andernach meeting in May 1995. The President expressed his thanks to the members of the presidium and to his predecessor for their help during the first year of his Presidentship.

Finally, the President expressed his thanks for the good work of the delegates, the Secretary, the subcommittees and the organizers of this meeting.

As there was no other business, the President declared the meeting closed.

Bratislava, August 1995



Dr. B. Formánek  
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München, August 1995



G. Büsing  
Secretary